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[*From January* 1 *to December* 29]

—— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1719–20* ——

The Consultation and Diary Book of Joseph Collet Esqr. President and Governour &ct. Council their proceedings & transactions in the Affairs of the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell. Begun the First of January 1719/20.

[JANUARY] 1ST.

Ship King William belonging to the Honble. Compa. Capt. Jas. Winter Commr. arriv'd from Bengall by whom recd. a Genll. Letter from the Presidt. and Council datd. 15th. Ulto. and another from Mr. Samll. Greenhill datd. the 24th. do. off Coxes Island.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 2D.

JOSEPH COLLET ESQR. PRESIDENT & GOVR.

FRANCIS HASTINGS.	NATHAN: ELWICK.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.	JOHN TURTON.

The Honble. Compas. Ship King William arriving last night from Bengall, the Genll. Letter from the Presidt. and Council dated 15th. Ulto. and one from Mr. Samll. Greenhill of the 24th. do. were read.

General Letter from ye. Presidt. and Councill of Bengall ℘ ship King [Wm.] read as also one from Mr. Samll. Greenhill.

ORDER'D That the Warehousekeepr. and Storekeepr. do [send] for the Wares and Stores ashore now come on the King William that the Warehousekeepr. fill her up wth. bales as soon as possible.

Warehous-keepr. & Storekeepr. Ordd. to send for the Wares and stores on board ship King William & to fill [her up] wth. bales.

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That Orders be given to the Emelia & King William that they should keep Compy. in their [voye. on] acoct. of a warr wth. [Spain]

Having recd. advices from England by the Hannover of continuance of the war with Spain, and therefore Judging it for mutuall Security of the Emelia & King William, that they should [keep Compa.] in the Voyage, It is Agreed that they be dispatch'd together [*a few words lost*].

Capt. Misenor requests us to assist him wth. men to supply his loss at Benjar.

Capt. Misenor Commr. of Ship Emelia delivers in a request as enter'd after this Consultation, desiring us to assist him with some men, to supply his loss of sevll. at Benjar.

Agreed that we give him wt. assistance we are able.

Agreed that we give him what assistance we are capable of.

Petition of Francis Everest read as enterd after this Consn.

Petition of Francis Everest late Factor and Steward at the West Coast read, granted and enter'd after this Consultation.

Joseph Collet.
Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Jn : Turton.

To the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

My ship Emelia having been a considerable time in the Country and at two very sickly places Vizt. Bencoolen and Benjar, and having lost a great many of my people, I request yor. Honr. &cts. assistance towards a Recruit and am

Honble. Sr. &cr.
Yor. most Obedient Humble. Servant
John Misenor.

Decemr. 17th. 1719/[20]

To the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

Having about two years ago recd. advice [from] England of the death of some relations, to whom being heir [some] small matter of land is fallen to me, but no friend since that time havs. been so kind to give any accot. thereof, or so much as to mention the matter to me, I find myself oblig'd to repair to England in [order] to make enquiry after the same myself, and the necessity for my proceeding in this matter is become the more pressing through my sufferings in the common misfortune wth. the rest of the Gentlemen lately driven from the West Coast, whereby I lost most part of that little wch. a continuance of almost five years in the Honble. Companys service as Factor had render'd me possessor of; I therefore humbly request yor. Honr. &cts. permission to lay down the Honble. Companys service and go for England by this years shipping ; But as this request is grounded upon the

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forementionʼd necessitys, without wch. I should gladly have remainʼd longer in the Comp^{s}. Service and as I intend, God willing, as soon as I have setled my Aff[airs] at home, to offer my service again to the Honble. Court of Directors. I humbly beg the additionall favour of yor. Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. Recommendation to them, that I may be re-entertainʼd on the same terms, some persons on the like occasion have, as I am informʼd, formerly been that is, to take my station upon my return to Fort S^{t}. Geo^{r}. as If I h[ad] continued in the service to that time.

In Relyance on yor. Hon^{r}. &c^{ts}. favourable grant, I am wth. all respect & gratitude.

Hon^{BLE}. S^{R}. &c^{r}.
Yo^{r}. most obed^{t}. Servt.

January the 2^{D}. 1719/20. Francis Everest.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 4th.

Joseph Collet Esq^{R}. President & Gov^{R}.

Francis Hastings.	Nath : Elwick.
Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.	John Turton.

Acco^{t}. for last [month read.]

Francis Hastings Esqr. [Cash]keep^{r}. his account of the [Honble. Comp^{s}. Cash *a few words lost*].

[Imp^{t}. W.h.] keep^{r}. [pays in pag^{s}. 10000] in [part of Oct^{r}.] months [ball^{a}.].

M^{r}. Nath : Elwick pays in Pag^{s}. Ten thousand in further part of his Imp^{t}. Warehouse ballance for October.

Journall parcels for Novem^{r}. Read.

[Adv]ancʼd Pag^{s}. [3000 to] defray Charges [Garrison].

Orderʼd, That three thousand Pag^{s}. be advancʼd the Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Rand^{ll}. Fowke pays Pag^{s}. 111 : 4 for Bills [on y^{e}.] Honble. Compy.

M^{r}. Randall Fowke pays into Cash Pag^{s}. One hundred and eleven and four fanams for bills to England payable to M^{r}. Elihu Trenchfield or order of this days date at 9^{s}. ℔ Pag^{a}.

Land Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for [last] Month read ball^{ce}. due from him Pag^{s}. 351 :—: 51.

Randall Fowke Land Custom^{r}. his acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. read Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	Pag^{s}.	331	32	12
Ruby Brokerage		10	21	39
Registring Slaves		7	20	—
	Pag^{s}.	350	1	51

ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 351 : — : 51 Cash.

Capt. Bringhurst to deliver his ans^{r}. relat^{g}. to y^{e}. Charge against him from the Presid^{t}. & Council of Bengall.

Capt. Bringhurst Comm^{r}. of the Young Darby delivers in his answer to what the Presid^{t}. and Council of Bengall write abo^{t}. him in their Letter by that ship, wch. was read, & Orderʼd to be entred after this Consultation.

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Pepper Ca. m^d. lb. 114 : 17 : 7 offer'd [to s]ale Order'd the Warehous-keep^r. do purchase & ship it aboard King William.

There being 114 : 17 : 7 (Ca. m^d. lb) of pepper offer'd to sale at 22 Pag^s. ₱ Candy,

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeep^r. do purchase it, and ship it on the King William having an Opportunity of doing it at ½ freight.

Order'd that M^r. Jno. Clarke have the same allowance dur^g. his voy^e. to Benj^r. he had on the West Coast.

ORDER'D That M^r. Jno. Clarke Writer to the Supra Cargoes of the Emelia have the same allowances during his voy^e. as he had at the West Coast, according to promise made him by the Deputy Govern^r. and Council there.

JOSEPH COLLET.
FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH^D. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

TO THE HON^BLE. JOSEPH COLLET ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERN^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^T. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^T.

Your Hon^r. &c^e. having been pleas'd [to order me] to reply to the 2^d. paragraph of the President and Councill of [Bengalls] letter to you dated the 5th. ult^o. in order to vindicate my self [from the] aspersions cast upon me by them, and particularly to [that of] my lavish management in the expences of the ship, I beg to offer the following reasons for my Justification.

So soon as ever the ship was order'd to [be re]pair'd, Capt. Jones the Master Attendant there was appointed for [the] management of the whole, and my business was only to keep account of what was sent on board for the use of the said ship, [& send] that account monthly to the Buxey there, and I assure your Hon^r. that I neither rec^d. nor paid any thing on acco^t. of the Charges of [y^e.] ship, the wages only excepted ; Thus far indeed I acknowledge [to all] concern'd, that I sent for what stores I thought there was occasion but then the Gentlemen there were at their liberty to charge wh[at they] thought fit for the same, and perhaps finding the account [was right] they were willing to ward against censure that might be pas[t on] them by answering me ; To this I beg leave to add that the [greater] part of her charges is for wages paid in Bengall, during the [many] months the ship lay unemploy'd there.

To the last part of the reflection in the P[resid^t.] and Councils letter aforesaid about my being a very undeser[ving man] I am forbid in point of modesty to offer anything in my own [justifi]cation, but lodge my Appeal wth. yor. Hon^r. &c^t. who were my emp[loyers] however I shall beg leave to say, that during my stay at Ben[gal I do] not know of the least affront giv'n any of the Gentlemen there by [me] and therefore I am surpriz'd to think what could be the motive to [make] them to take away the reputation of one, whose livelyhood depend[ed on] his good name.

If by all that I have already said, I ma[y] be able to convince yor. Hon^r. &c^a. of my Innocence & integrity, it will be [a] greatest satisfaction to me that I can receive, having ever since [my] first entertainment in the Honble. Comp^s. service been Zealous to a[ct] myself both their and your

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Most Faith[ful]
& Obed^t. hum[ble servant]
CHARLES [BRINGHURST].

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Sloop Kent Mr. Horden Owner arrd. from Fort St. David. 5TH.

Ship Narsingo Bapanah Ownr. arrd. from Roetah. 7TH.

Ship Jesu Maria Joseph Capt. Augustin Basiahee Commr. arriv'd from Manilha, on whom came Major Roach. 9TH.

Ship Charles Capt. David Wilkey saild for Fort St. David. —

Brigantine Narsingo arriv'd from Bengall Kittee Timap̃. ownr. 10TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JOSEPH COLLET ESQR. PRESIDENT & GOVR. — MONDAY THE 11TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS.	NATH : ELWICK.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.	JOHN TURTON.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster his account for last mo. read, ballance remaining Pags. 30 : 12 : 20, he pays the same into Cash.

[A]ccot. for last [month re]ad ballce remg. [Ps. 30. 12.]20 wch. is pd. into[Cash].

The Petitions of Messrs. Elihu Trenchfield, Charles Boddam and William Redshaw Free Merchants were severally read, as entred after this Consultation, desiring leave to go for England upon the Emelia.

[Peti]tions of several [Merchts.] read desirg. leave[to go to Engd.] as enter'd after [ys. Consn. Agrd. their] request be granted.

AGREED that their Request be granted.

The 114 Ca. : 14 md. : 7 lb. of pepper wch. the Warehousekr. was order'd to purchase the last Consultation, Amounting to Pags. 2527 : 1 : 6. at 22 pags. ⅌ Candy ORDER'D that the same be advanc'd him to pay for the same.

[That] Pags : 2527 : 1 : 6. [be given] the Warehouse-keepr. [to purchase] 114 ca. : md. ca[*sic*] 14 : 7. of [pepper].

The President acquainting the Board, that he intends to embarcque the 18th. of this mo. ORDER'D That his Salary be pd. him to that time.

Presidt. intending [to embar]que the 18th of this [month his] salary be pd.

Petition of Capt. John Irving read setting forth, that his Attorney in his absence has paid to the Estate of Mr. Richard Farmer Fifty two Dollrs. or Pags. 34 : 24. for a chaise & bedding, wch. he bought at ye. said Mr. Farmers outcry made at the West Coast, and for wch. he had before paid Mr. William Palmer Secry. there; thô the Note or Voucher was lost amongst his other Papers at the West Coast, but offering to prove by ye. evidence of one or two persons that the said William Palmer acknowledg'd the Rect. of it severall times before his death, he desires the said sum may be repaid him; Mr. Thomas Cooke thereupon acquainted the Board that Capt. Irvings Allegation was true, and produc'd an English Servant of his, who testify'd the same, whereupon the Board ORDER'D the sum in Request to be repaid out of Mr. Farmers Estate.

[Petn.] of Capt. Jno. [Irving] read, relatg. to [wt. his] Attorney pd. [in his absence]to the[Estate of] Mr. Farmer.

Lewis Mellicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine license pays into Cash Pags. Three hundred thirty three and twelve fanams for last months rent of that farm.

[The Renter of the]Arrack & wine License ps. [333 : 12] for last [months]rents

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[2 LINES LOST] of demands from England.

Richard Benyon Storekeep^{r}. de[livers] [*one line lost*] King William, he also delivers in an acco^{t}. of Remains.

Several sums of Mony offer'd to be p^{d}. into the Comp^{s}. Cash for Bills on the Comp^{y}. accept^{d}.

The following Sums being offer'd to be paid into the [Comp^{s}.] Cash for our bills on the Honble. Court of Directors of this [days date at 9] shillings ℘ Pagoda, the same were accepted, and the Bills [made accor]dingly, the particulars whereof are Viz^{t}.

1st. 2^{d}. and 3^{d}. bill to M^{r}. Randall Fowke payable to M^{r}. Elihu Trenchfield or order at 9^{s}. ℘ Pag^{a} ... ... Pag^{s}.	111	—	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill to The Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Charles Long & D^{r}. Thomas Robson Attorneys of M^{r}. Thos. Frederick payable to the s^{d}. Thos. Frederick or order	4000	--	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill to M^{r}. John Turton payable to M^{r}. William Stevenson or order	400	—	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill to M^{r}. John Emmerson payable to M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Mead Junr. account M^{r}. William Jennings	1685	3	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3rd bill to M^{r}. John Emmerson payable to M^{r}. Henry Hoare acco^{t}. M^{r}. Willm. Jennings	400	—	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill to M^{r}. Richard Benyon &c^{t}. John Turton Attorneys of M^{r}. John Legg payable to the said John Legg or order	2000	—	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill payable to Capt. John Irving rec^{d}. of himself.	800	—	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill to M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Benyon payable to Edwd. Harrison Esqr. or order	888	32	[...]
1st. 2^{d}. & 3^{d}. bill to the Minister & Churchward^{s}. payable to the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Geo. Lewis, D^{r}. John Landon, & M^{r}. James Wendey ...	777	23	[...]
Pag^{s}.	11063	22	[...]

Petition of Jno. Clarke setting forth that he had not rec^{d}. his salary during his voy^{e}. to Benjar.

Petition of John Clarke Factor read setting forth, that when he [was] Assistant to the Supra Cargoes of the Emelia from Bencoolen to B[enjar] he left no Attorney to receive the salary wch. might become due to [him] in the interim, and the Dep^{ty}. Govr. there having Issued out the same to William Palmer the Sec^{ry}. it remain'd in his hands, and he is since insolvent, wherefore he adds that the Honble. Comp^{a}. are still Debtors to him, & the said Willm. Palmer's Estate is indebted so much to them.

THAT his Salary be p^{d}. him and that M^{r}. Palmer's Estate be charg'd therewth.

The matter being fully debated, The Board at length deter[mind] that the Salary aforemention'd being 3 m^{o}. from the 25th. March [to] 25th. June last at £30 ℘ Añ. should be paid to y^{e}. said John Cla[rke] at the rate of 15 Doll^{rs}. ℘ 10 Pag^{s}. & William Palmers Estate de[btd] for the same.

A Bill of sale produc'd [in] the Potters Village for [a pie]ce of Ground there let to M^{r}. Thom^{s}. Theobalds.

The Sec^{ry}. produces a bill of Sale or lease for a [p^{s}. of ground in the] Potters Village by Triplicane let to M^{r}. Thomas [Theobalds] at one Pag^{a}. ℘ annum, at the Expiration [of *a few words lost*] Fifty for renewing the lease. The ground [*a few words lost* by 85 in breadth, & 74 y^{ds}. in length by Fifty in breadth], adjoyning to the same is a yard and passage to the West-ward 36 yards in length by 23 in breadth, and another 36 yards in length by 12 in breadth; the aforesaid lease being read, and approv'd was sign'd.

[Messrs. Elwick &] Cooke [deliver in [a list of demands [on t[he Estates of the [deceased] Persons on the [list].

Messrs. Elwick & Cooke who were order'd in Cons. the 14th. ult^{o}. to inspect y^{e}. sev^{ll}. demands made upon the Estates of the dec^{d}. persons at the West Coast now deliver in a list of the same, whereby it appearing that the demands upon all or most of them exceed the Estates themselves, particularly M^{r}. Elisha Ellills where the debts amount to Pag^{s}. 767 and the Estate to no more than Pag^{s}. 610 : 24. after deducting Pag^{s}. 158 : 24. for funerall charges & Pag^{s}. 14 : 9 : 12. for Commission and Charges, The Accomptant is Order'd to draw out a dividend paper for each of them, that the Creditors may be paid in proportion to their demands. He is also ORDER'D to erect heads in the Gen^{ll}. Books for the Estates of Messrs. Theophlus Shyllinge, Henry Garret, Rich^{d}. Farmer, Elisha Ellill & James Morrice, and to state their Accounts as well as that of William Palmer dec^{d}. agreable to the Sev^{ll}. acco^{t}.

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Curr^{ts}. entred after Consultation of the 7th. Ult^{o}. Messrs. Elwick & Cooke likewise report the Examination of the sev^{ll}. demands made upon the Estate of Jno. Perry dec^{d}. wch. the Paym^{r}. is order'd to satisfy forthwith.

Rev^{d}. Mr. Long [to go] down to Fort S^{t}. [David] on the arrival [of] Rev^{d}. Mr. Wendey.

The Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Thomas Wendey (who embarcqued upon the Danes ship for this place at S^{t}. Jago after the Vansittart was lost upon the Isle of May) arriving here last night Overland from Sadrass where he was set ashore, and the Honble. Comp^{s}. orders being that when we have two Chaplains one of them shall go to Fort S^{t}. David to officiate there, which is the present Case, Order'd that the Sec^{ry}. acquaint M^{r}. Long, that we order him to get himself in a readyness to go down upon the young Darby now bound thither, or that if he had rather go by land, we give him liberty accordingly.

Charles Fleetwoods [guardianship] given to his [own possess]ion.

Charles Fleetwood infant whose Guardianship the President some time since accepted, & lately transferr'd to Messrs. Elwick & Benyon being now arriv'd at the age of Twenty one years, as appears by his fathers prayer book produced before the Board, He attends, & receives an acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. of his Estate and the titles to the sev^{ll}. Voyages wherein its employed and signs a full and ample discharge to them all, wch. was witness'd & is entred hereafter.

Joseph Collet.
Fra: Hastings.
N: Elwick.
Rich^{d}: Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Jn: Turton.

Whereas Joseph Collet Esqr. [who] for some time [by] choice, and by appointment of the Honble. Govr. and Councill [of Fort S^{t}.] George, acted as Guardian for me, by improving such p[ortion of the] Estate as came to his hands in trade or otherwise, and [the] said Joseph Collet Esqr. purposing to take his departure [for England] some time last month, wch. was before the time of my arrival [at the age] of Twenty one years, did transferr the trust of Guardianship [&] the account of all Transactions relating to it, to Messrs [Nath.] Elwick & Richard Benyon, and whereas the said Messrs. [Nath.] Elwick & Richard Benyon have deliver'd over to me a [full and] satisfactory account of my said affairs, sign'd by the said [Joseph] Collet Esqr. and transferr'd to me a full & sufficient title to [the] property and Interest in severall voyages, I do being no[w] at the age of Twenty one years fully discharge and release [the said] Joseph Collet Esqr. Messrs. Nathaniel Elwick, and Richard [Benyon] and each of them, their heirs Executors and Administrators [from] all claims, debts, dues and [other] demands whatsoever arising [from] their discharge of the said trust of guardianship or any [other] account whatsoever; In Witness whereof I set to my hand & Seal in Fort S^{t}. George this eleventh day of January Anno one thousand seven hundred and Nineteen.

Sign'd Seald & Deliver'd in the presence of us.
Francis Hastings.
Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.
John Emmerson.
John Turton.

Charles Fleetwood.

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To the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

The humble Petition of Elihu Trench[field.]

Sheweth

That being desirous of going for England as soon as possible, he requests your Hon^r^. &c^ts^. permission to take his Passage upon the Princess Emelia now bound thither, and your Petition^r^. as in duty bound

Shall ever pray.

[To the Honble.] Joseph Collet Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort S^t^. Geo^r^. &c^a^. Council.

The Petition of William Redshaw

Sheweth

That having labour'd under a tedious indisposition for a great while and believing his return to England will be very instrumentall to his recovery, he requests yor. Hon^r^ &c^ts^. permiss^n^. to take his passage upon the Princess Emelia now bound thither, and yor. petition^r^, as in duty bound shall ever pray &c^t^.

To the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

The Petition of Charles Boddam

Sheweth

That having some affairs in England to transact wch. require his presence there, he desires yor. Hon^r^. &c^ts^. permission to take his passage upon the Princess Emelia, now bound thith^r^. and yor. Petitioner shall ever pray &c^t^.

List of demands upon the following dec^d^. persons Estates Viz^t^.

Demands on the Estate of Elisha Ellill dec^d^.

	Doll^rs^.						
Francis Everest as ₩ Note under his hand	140	—	—	Pag^s^.	93	12	—
Richard Horden as ₩ Note under his hand					14	1	30
Thomas Cooke as ₩ Note under his hand					28	16	—
Matthew Weld as ₩ Note under his hand					17	—	—
Philip Baker as ₩ his Acco^t^. Currant.					24	32	40
John Roach as ₩ his Acco^t^. Currant ...					51	18	1
Joseph Walsh as ₩ his Acco^t^. Currant.	33	—	—		22	—	—
John Irving as ₩ his bill	385	—	—		256	24	—
John Jarvis as ₩ his bill	98	1	—		65	1	[...]
George Bend as ₩ his bill	9	2	—		6	1	[...]
Sign^r^ Nicholo as ₩ his bill	39	2	—		26	—	[...]
Stephen Newcomle as ₩ his bill ...	20	1	—		13	[...]	[...]
Randolph Warden as ₩ his bill ...	4	2	—		3	[...]	[...]
William Palmer for Capt. Graves's dem^d^. p^d^. by him	148	2	—		99	[...]	[.]
D^o^. for a Chinamans bill p^d^. by him ...	68	—	—		4	[...]	[...]
				Pag^s^.	7[...]	[...]	[...]

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DEMANDS upon the Estate of ENSIGN JOHNSON decd. Vizt.

Fras. Everest as ℔ note under his hand to Ro. Scott	30	2	—		[...]	[...]	[...]
Chas. Hazelwood as ℔ Note under his hand	9	—	—		[...]	[...]	[...]
James Adaire as ℔ his Accot. Currant.	18	—	4		4[...]	[...]	[...]
Randolph Warden as ℔ bill					[...]	[...]	[...]
Peter Hayez as ℔ do.					[...]	[...]	[...]
				Pags.	[...]	[...]	[...]

DEMANDS on the Estate of EZEKIEL PAICE decd. Vizt.

Charles Hazelwood as ℔ his Accot. Currt. ...	Dollrs. 2	1	—	Pags.	1	[...]	[...]
Randolph Warden as ℔ his Accot. Currt. ...					5	[...]	[...]
				Pags.	7	[...]	[...]

DEMANDS upon the Estate of THOMAS ALLICOCK decd. Vizt.

Joseph Walsh as ℔ his Accot. Currt. ...					236	[...]	[...]
Randolph Warden as ℔ his bill	15	2	—	Pags.	10	[...]	[...]
Francis Everest as ℔ his bill	32	2	—		21	[...]	[...]
				Pags.	268	[...]	[...]

DEMANDS upon the Estate of NICHOLAS GOODING decd.

Joseph Walsh as ℔ his Accot. Currant	Pags.	24	3[...]	[...]
Randolph Warden as ℔ his bill		2	3[...]	[...]
	Pags	27	2[...]	[...]

DEMANDS upon the Estate of WILLIAM GREEN decd.

Randolph Warden as ℔ his bill	Pagss.	6	24	—
Peter Hayez as ℔ his bill		1	12	—
	Pags.	8	—	—

DEMANDS on the Estate of JOHN KINGTON decd.

Jas. Adaire for a note to Jno. Jarvis ...	20	—	—	Pags.	13	12	—
Stephen Newcombe as ℔ his bill ...	37	3	—		25	6	—
Capt. John Irving for a Note undr. his hand	329	3	—		219	12	—
				Pags.	257	30	—

DEMAND upon the Estate of Thos. BAYLEY decd.

Francis Everest as ℔ his bill	1	1	50	—	fas. 33	—

FORT Sr. GEORGE
JANUARY 11TH. 17[19].

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

℔ NATHAN. ELWICK.
THOMAS COOKE.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1719–20—

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 11th. 4 in ye. aftern.

Joseph Collet Esqr. President & Govr.
Francis Hastings. Nath: Elwick.
Richard Horden. Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. John Turton.

The Secry. acquaints the board pursuant to [their] Ordr: he had acquainted the Revd. Mr. Long wth. [our] resolution.

The Secretary acquaints the Board that pursuant to our order made this forenoon, he Communicated to the Revd. Mr. Charles Long the resolution [we] had taken to send him to Fort St. David to Officiate [as minister] there, and accordingly bid him [prepare to] go down [by ye.] Dar [by] now bound thither.

[His] ansr. to the [Board].

That Mr. Long desir'd him to acquaint the Board in answer, That he was the Minister of this place and would not go to Fort St. David.

[Mr. Long] sent for & [asked if] he sent such [an answer] he reply'd ye. [word y]es.

Mr. Long being sent for thereupon, appear'd before the Board, and being ask'd by the President, if he sent such an answer as the Secry. reported, he acknowledg'd that he did, & repeated it by saying I am Minister of this place, and shall not go.

[Mr. Long] by noncom[pliance] wth. Presidt. & [Councils] orders sus[pended].

He was then Order'd to withdraw, and the 142d. & 143d. paragraphs of the Honble. Court of Directors Genll. Lettr. datd. the 2d. of Febry 1712 were produc'd & read whereupon the Board unanimously Agreed to suspend the said Mr. Long from the Honble. Comps. Service as their Chaplain, and being call'd in he was acquainted therewith.

[The K]eys of the Church [Library] sent for from [him] & deliver'd to Mr. Wendey.

Order'd that Messrs. Benyon and Turton the Church wardens do send for the Keys of the Church Library &ct. from the hands of Mr. Long, and deliver them to the Revd. Mr. Thos. Wendey.

Order'd that the Paymr. do muster ships Princess Emelia & King Williams men.

Joseph Collet.
Fra: Hastings.
N: Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Jn: Turton.

11th. Brig. Annoman Wollubu Ownr. arrd. from Todmaddah.

– Brig. Triplicane Capt. Woodhouse arrd. from Malacca.

12th. Recd. ℘ Pattmr. a Genll. Lettr. from Callicutt datd. 12th. Decemr. 1719.

– Ship Frances Capt. William Hurst sailed for Nagore.

– Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 9th. Instant.

14th. Recd. a Genll. Letter from Messrs. Pyke & Caulier. datd. 21st. Octor. at Batavia.

– Brigantine Vincatashia [arrivd.] from Jaggernaut.

15th. Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from [the Chief &] Council of Vizagapatam dated 6th. instant ℘ ship Obad [ulla Franc]is Charlton, who arriv'd from [. . .]

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

JOSEPH COLLET ESQ^R. PRESIDENT & GOV^R.
FRANCIS HASTINGS. NATH: ELWICK.
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOHN TURTON.

SATURDAY THE 16TH.

Capt. Jno. Irving offering to pay the sum of 30 Pag^s. to y^e. Comp^a. for a slave wch. he bro^t. with him from Benjar, It is AGREED to let him have for that price.

Capt. Jno. Irving offering to pay Pags. 30 for a slave, tis agreed to let him have it.

Richard Horden Sea Cust^r. his Acco^t. for last m^o. read Viz^t.

Sea Customrs. accot. for last month read ballce. due from him Pags. 2387 : 10 : 52.

Custom on goods imported & Exported	Pag^s.	416	12	42
Anchorage		5	—	—
	Pag^s.	421	12	42

ballance due from him Pag^s. 2387 : 10 : 52 which he now pays into Cash & clears that acco^t. to the end of the year 1719, accord^g. to y^e. H. Comp^s. orders.

Gen^ll. Lett^rs. read Viz^t:—

Genll. Letters read.

from Fort S^t. David dat^d. 9th. instant inclosing their Cash and Merch^ts. Acco^ts. the ball^o. of wch. last being Pag^s. Ten thousand and Seventy, due to them, that sum is Order'd to be paid out of Cash.

From ffort St. David dated the 9th. Instt.

from Messrs. Adams & Johnson at Callicutt dat^d. the 12th. of Decr. advising of the rec^t. of the Townshends Treasure, & rec^t. of the mony for we took a bill of M^r. Adams, with sev^ll. other particulars Relat^g. to that ship.

From Callicutt datd. ye. 12th. of Decr.

from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dat^d. the 6th. instant, advising that D^r. Strachan is ill, past all hopes of Recovery.

From Vizagapatam datd. the 6th. Inst.

The Warehousekeeper reports a deficiency in the Wares &c^t. rec^d. from Bengall ℘ Darby as ℘ List entred after this Consultation.

The Warehousekeepr. repts. there's a deficienoy of Wares by ye. Darby from Bengall.

AGREED that she be dispatch'd to Fort S^t. David to fetch up the bales that are ready there.

Agreed ye. Darby be dispatchd to Fort St. David to fetch Bales.

Richard Benyon Storekeep^r. his account for last month read, ballance due from him Pag^s. 1256 : 20 : 40.

Storekeeprs. Accot. for last month read.

Letter from Messrs. Pyke & Cauleir design'd of Council at Fort Marlbrô read dat^d. at Batavia 21st. Octob^r. advising their Resolution to Repossess the English of the West Coast.

Letter from Messrs. Pyke and Cauleir from Batavia datd. the 2d. Octobr. read.

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The Princes Emelia & King Williams Muster Roll deliver'd in.

The Paym^r^. delivers in the Muster Rolls of the Princess Emelia and King Williams men.

The Old stock of Rice sold off & a new one bot. in.

ORDER'D that the Warehousek^r^. do sell off the old stock of Rice for the Garrison store and buy in a new one, least it should spoil by lying.

The Accompt rems. of Impt. Warehouse interchangeably sign'd by Messrs. [Horden & Elwick]

M^r^. Horden reports upon Receipt of the Imp^t^. Warehouse from M^r^. Elwick, (the acco^t^. rem^s^. being this day interchangeably sign'd) that there are sev^ll^. things the worse for wear, particularly a beam & scales in [*a few words lost*] Stewards hands [. . . a] sconse at the Gardens wth. sev^ll^. [. . .] and a large Lanthorn there, one Glass of wch. is broke, and one of the [. . .] is in y^e^. Custody of the Paym^r^.

Genll. letter to the Court of Directors ℘ ship King William & Dupte ℘ ship Emelia read and sign'd.

Gen^ll^. Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors design'd ℘ ship King William, and a Duplicate to go by the Princess Emelia of this day's date read & sign'd, Dup. of the Lett^r^. ℘ Ship Marlbrô dat^d^. 10th. Octob^r^. & Capt. Winter & Capt. Misenors despatches dat^d^. the 18th. Instant.

JOSEPH COLLET.
FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

A List of Stores rec^d^. short ℘ King William from Bengall.

	Can.	Mds.	lb.	
Salt Petre 4 bags in tale & 10		13	18	in Weight.
Gunneys 49 bundles q^t^. 981 p^s^.				
Rope 16 D^o^. w^g^.	1	14	4.	
Twine 123 bags	7	11	—	
Wax 17 d^o^. w^g^. 25 Maund Bengall.				

JANRY 16°. 1719/20./ NATH : ELWICK.

Exp^t^. W. h. K^r^.

17TH. Ship Francis Capt. Sam^ll^. Greenslate Comm^r^. arr^d^. from Bengall.

– Brigantine Sanbastmah arr^d^. from Ganjam.

18TH. Early this morning the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr. Presid^t^. embarcqued on board the King William Capt. Ja^s^. Winter Comm^r^. whereon the Government fell to the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr. and she saild in Company wth. the Princess Emelia Capt. John Misenor Comm^r^. soon after for Great Brittain.

– Brigantine Vincatashia arriv'd from Ganjam.

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The Consultation and Diary Book of Francis Hastings Esqr. President and Governr. &ct. Council their proceedings and transactions in the affairs of the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell Begun ye. 18th. of January 1719/20.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON. JNO. TURTON.

MONDAY THE 18TH AT 7 IN YE. MORNS.

The late Presidt. Joseph Collet Esqr. Embarqing ys. Morning the late Depty. Govr. of Fort St. David Francis Hastings Esqr. succeeds him in that station.

The late President Joseph Collet Esqr. having embarcqued this morning on board the King William, and the Succession to this Government having thereby devolv'd to Francis Hastings Esqr. late Depty. Govr. of Fort St. David, he accordingly takes the chair, whereupon the Honble. United Comps. Covenanted servants being all Summon'd, (both civil & military) they appear'd and the 96th. parag. of the Honble. Court of Directors Genll. Lettr. ℔ King William datd. 11o. Janry 1715 was read before them, wherein it is Order'd that the Deputy Govr. of Fort St. David is always to be esteem'd the immediate successour to this Governmt. in case of the Presidts. mortality or totall absence; The Consultation of the 15th. of Octor. last was also read, upon this Occasion, wherein, it was Agreed, upon Govr. Collets declaring his Resolution to go for England in January, that Fras. Hastings E[sqr.] aforesaid should be sent for up from Fort St. David to Succeed; The Honble. Comps. Servts. being all then dismiss'd the room, the Board AGREED that the Secry. should call in all the Commissions forthwith.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

The Honble. Comps. Ship Young Derby sail'd for Fort St. David by whom sent a Genll. Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of ys. d[ays date.] 19TH.

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David datd. 17th. Instant. —

Brigantine Narsingo Erooculoo Noquedah arrived from Roetah. 20TH.

Sloop Mahomud Manoel Rebell owner arrd. from Bengall. —

Brigantine Hussain Shaw Nahorde Noquedah arrived from Balasore. —

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 21st.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govr.
Nathaniel Elwick. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Rich^{d}. Benyon. J. Emmerson. Jno. Turton.

Imp^{t}. Warehousekeep^{r}. [pays] into Cash Pag^{s}. 10000 [Acco^{t}. silver sold.

M^{r}. Richard Horden Import Warehousekeep^{r}. pays into Cash Pag^{s}. Ten thousand acco^{t}. Silver sold.

Rent^{ll}. Gen^{ll}. & Scaving^{r}. [pays into cash] Pag^{s}. 500 Acco^{t}.] Rent roll.

John Emmerson Rentall Gen^{ll}. & Scavinger pays into Cash acco^{t}. the Rent roll for 1719 Viz^{t}.—

For Quit Rent	Pag^{s}. 398	20	—
Scavingers duty	101	16	—
	Pag^{s}. 500	—	—

Tobacco Farm^{r}. p^{s}. into cash Pag^{s}. 583. 12, y^{e}. last months rent of y^{t}. Farm.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pag^{s}. Five hundred Eighty three & twelve fan^{s}. for last m^{o}. rent of that farm.

Military Officers [Com]missns^{s} renew'd and finds Lieutenant Sutherlands antedated four days to L: Goughs.

The President acquaints the board that the Sec^{ry}. has deliver'd him all the old Commissions, & that before they are Renew'd, he thinks it proper to represent to them, that he finds Lieutenant Sutherlands Commission antedated four days to Lieutenant Goughs, & that the priority in standing was given to Lieutenant Sutherland on account of his hav^{g}. acted ever since the 31st. of Janry. 1719 being the date of his Breviate ; The President adds that Lieutenant Gough came out wth. a Certificate from the Company for a Commission to be given him by the President here wch. Certificate was dated in Octo^{r}. 1718 even before Lieut. Sutherlands Breviate, and that thô L. Gough arr^{d}. here the 10th. of June last, yet he had not a Commission till the 2th. of July, when L. Sutherland had one given him also, and antedated four days as already mentioned by wch. he was superceeded L. Gough, thô the President adds, he beleives it was not the Comp^{s}. design, that a Certificate or Comm̃. giv'n by them to any Officer should be set aside by any like Commission giv'n here. He therefore proposes that Lieutenant Gough should be reinstated according to what he thinks was the intention of the Company, but the Board Revising the Consultation of the 2^{d}. of July wherein they had de[cided &] Agreed to give L. Sutherland the precedency do for that reason, & to avoid cont[rusion]

The Affair between Capt^{t}. Gough & Sutherland referr'd home to the Honble. Comp^{y}. and that in the meantime the Presid^{t}. to give a prior Commiss̃. to Capt^{t}. Gough.

Agree, That the matter be referr'd home [to be decided by them]selves, and that in the mean time the President [grants Lieut.] Gough a prior Commission to Lieutenant Sutherland [wth. a charge] of Soldiers in this Garrison, by virtue of his power and the Military.

Lieutenant Orril order'd to Fort S^{t}. David wth. a Commiss^{n}. to Command the 1st. Comp^{y}. there being a vacancy by Capt^{t}. Goughs detention.

The President then propos'd, that Lieutenant Orrill should be sent to Fort S^{t}. David with a Comm̃. to command the 1st. Comp^{a}. [there] being a Vacancy by L. Goughs detention here, and that the Officers should be station'd in this manner, L. Fullerton of the 1st. Company, L. Gough of the 2^{d}. & L. Sutherland of the 3^{d}. for the Reasons b[efore] all wch. was Agreed to.

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Mr. Thos. Jenkinson Regr. of the Sea Gate being now distr[acted] by the Doctors report past all hopes of Recovery

Mr. Thos. Jenkinson distracted.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Cooke, Fowke & the Secry. take an [Inventory] of his Effects and deliver it into the board.

Orderd that Messrs. Cooke, Fowke & Secry. take an inventory of his Effects.

ORDER'D that Mr. Henry Davy officiate in the Regr. of the Sea Gates place in the room of Mr. Jenkinson.

Mr. Henry Davy order'd Registr. of the Seagate.

FRA: HASTINGS.
N: ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN: TURTON.

Ship Dawsonne belonging to the Honble. Company Capt. [Richd.] Benfield Commr. arriv'd from Bengall by whom recd. a Letter from the President & Council dated 31st. Decemr. wth. Duplicates of what recd. ℘ Young Darby & King William, one from Mr. Samuell Greenhill dated the 4th. Instant on the Ship off Coxes Island. 22D.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[FRIDA]Y 22D. [ME]—RIDIEM.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON. JNO. TURTON.

The Honble. Comps. Ship Dawsonne arriving this forenoon from Bengall Capt. Richard Benfield Commr. the Genll. Letter from the President & Council datd. 31st. ulto. and one from Mr. Samll. Greenhill datd. 4th. instant were read.

[Ship Daw]sonne arrivg. [here] from Bengll. [Genl. Letter] from the Presidt. & Council there [&] also one from [Mr.] Greenhill datd. ye. 4th. Instant read.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekr. and Storekeepr. do send for ye. Wares & Stores ashore, and that the Warehousekr. do put on board her what bales ready here, so soon as the ship is unloaded, that she may be dispatch'd with all expedition to Fort St. David, to be fill'd up, and dispatch'd thence for England, and in the mean time its AGREED to write to the Deputy Govr. & Council to order them to forbear putting any bales on board the Darby, till the Dawsonne is full, whom we design to send them in a few days to fill up there for England.

[Ordered] the Warehous & [Store]keeprs. send for ye. Wares and stores from [ashore. . .] and to put [on board her] what Bales are [ready &] that she be filld up & sent to Ft. St. David and dis[patched] from thence.

FRA: HASTINGS.
N: ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO. COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN: TURTON.

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22ᴰ. Sloop Mahomud Manuell Rebell ownʳ. arrᵈ. from Bengall.

— Brigantine Hussain Sheik Norde Noquedah arrᵈ. from Balasore.

25ᵀᴴ. Brigantine Vincatashia Moopere Chitty Noquedah arrived from Balasore.

— Sloop Sᵗ. John Monsʳ. Laparre Master arrᵈ. from Bengall.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 25ᵀᴴ.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQᴿ. PRESIDᵀ. & [GOVᴿ.]
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHᴰ. BENYON. J. EMMERSON. JNᴼ. TURTON.

Exptᵗ. Warehouskeeprs. Accoᵗ. for last month read ballᶜᵉ. due to him Pagˢ. 362. 25. 22 Order'd to be pᵈ.

Nathaniel Elwick, Expᵗ. Warehousekeepʳ. his accoᵗ. for last month read, ballance due to him Pagˢ. 362 : 25 : 22 wᶜʰ. is ORDER'D to [be pᵈ.].

Nath : Elwick late Impᵗ. Warehousekeepʳ. pˢ. in Pagˢ. 7545. 23. 46 in full of the ballᶜᵉ : of that Accoᵗ.

Nathaniel Elwick late Impᵗ. Warehousekeepʳ. pays into [cash] Pagˢ. Seven thousand five hundred forty five 23 faˢ. & 46 cash [in] full of the ballance of that accoᵗ.

Impᵗ. Warehouskeepʳˢ. Accoᵗ. for last month read ballᶜᵉ. due from him Pagˢ 35604. 14. 7 whereof he pays in Pagˢ. 10000.

Richard Horden Impᵗ. Warehousekʳ : his Accoᵗ. for last month read, ballance due from him Pagˢ. 35604: 14: 7 whereof he paid [into] Cash Pagˢ. Ten thousand the 21ˢᵗ. instant.

Paymʳˢ. Accoᵗ. for last month read.

Thomas Cooke Paymaster his account for last month [read] Vizᵗ.

Charges Garrison	Pagˢ.	1976	1	40
Charges Generall		739	4	15
Charges Cattle		169	6	40
Repairs of Fortificat̃.		259	5	20
Charges Extraordinary		60	28	40
New Warehouse		216	18	40
Charges Diet		450	29	30
Diet & Stores laid in		609	6	70
Inclosure on yᵉ. Island		84	29	10
Inward Fort		105	17	15
Horse Furniture		29	18	—
Dieu Island		22	—	—
	Pagˢ.	4722	21	—

Ballᶜᵉ. due to him Pagˢ. 1722: 21. Order'd to be paid.

Ballance due to him Pagodas One thousand seven hundred twenty two, twenty one fanams, wᶜʰ. is ORDER'D to be paid him.

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The Extraordinary Expence of this month being examind into is found to arise from the following articles Vizt.

CHARGES GARRISON Vizt.										
Paid Capt. Jno. Irving 5 mo. arrears at 12 Pags. ℔ month.	Pags.	60	—	—						
Do. for 2 Europeans & 1 topass servant do. time ...		35	10	—						
					95	10	—			
Smiths tools &ct. for the Armory & Smiths yard ...		......			31	19	40	126	29	[40]
CHARGES GENERALL										
Giv'n the Companys master workmen as usuall at Christmass		......			23	20	—			
Scavingers duty for the Inward Fort		......			24	—	—			
								[47]	20	—
	Pags.				......			174	13	40
REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATIONS Vizt.										
Work done to ye. Horse stable	Pags.	......			57	34	45			
Whitewashing the buildings at Christmass		......			136	16	5			
Plank &ct. materials for the Accomptants Office ...		......			64	26	50			
								259	5	20
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY Vizt.										
Diett for Prisoners & other incidt. charges		......			13	5	40			
A fine Escrutore of tortoise shell ebony & Ivory presented Lolly at Arcot...		......			47	23	0			
								60	28	40
NEW WAREHOUSE Vizt.										
For materials & workmen ys. mo.		......			......			216	18	40
INWARD FORT for do. ..		......			......			105	17	15
INCLOSURE on the Island for do.		......			......			84	29	10
HORSE FURNITURE										
Delivd. the Groom 4 sadles ...		......			......			29	18	—
DIEU ISLAND										
Pd. the Gunner & his Mate...		......			......			22	—	—
					Pags.			952	22	5

Randall Fowke Land Customer pays into Cash Pagodas three hundred & thirty one, and Fifty one Cash, in full of the ballance of his last months account. Land Customr. ps. in Pags. 331 : — : 51 the ballce. of last months Accot.

Mr. Thomas Cooke Paymaster pays in Pags. 258 : 9 : 75 being the ballance of Mr. John Perry decd. his Estate, and delivers in an account Sales and Account Currant thereof, wch. last is ORDER'D to be entred after this Consultation. [Paymr.] ps. in Pags. 258 : [9 : 75] the ballce. of Mr. [John Perry's] [Estate] decd.

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[Mr.] Randll. Fowks Comm. [renewd] as Capt. of ye. Train-[bands].

ORDER'D that the Secry. Renew the Commission giv'n Mr. Randall Fowke for Capt. of the Trainbands against next Consultation.

Petition of Mr. Thos. Willford read desiring to be reinstated, (as enter'd after this Cons) wch. is agreed on.

Petition of Thomas Wilford, who was suspended the Honble. Comps. Service about two years ago read, as enter'd after this Consultation desiring to be reinstated on accot. of his suspension's being taken off by the Company in case we approv'd it here, but it appearing that the said Thomas Wilford had some time since petition'd the board for leave to Relinquish the service before the Comps. determination concerning him arrived, The Board were of Opinion that he had put it out of their power to reinstate him had he not quitted the service merely on account of his Necessitous circumstances, wch. obliged him to seek some way to get a livelihood, but that being the truth of the Case, and his present indigency being another Motive to Compassion It is AGREED that the said Thos. Wilford be reinstated in ye. Comps. service, but we cannot consent to allow him salary otherwise than from this day, it not being customary to do it, unless ꝑticularly order'd from home.

Mr. Wilford placed under the Secry.

ORDER'D that Thomas Wilford be placed under the Secry.

[Mr. Way to go to Ft. St. David].

ORDER'D that Mr. Thomas Way do go down to Fort St. David to forward the buildings, and particularly to get the Points [which] were Order'd some time since to be done.

Order'd Pags. 10000 be sent to Ft. St. David on ye. Dawsonne.

ORDER'D that Ten thousand Pagodas be sent upon Dawsonne to Fort St. David.

The Warehousekeepr. acquaints the board that ye. rice lately rec'd from Bengll. proves very bad.

The Warehousekr. acquaints the Board that the Rice a[rriv'd] from Bengall proves very bad insomuch that it's necessary to [dispose] of it for what it will yeild, & be content wth. the first loss.

Agreed that we advise of the same to the Gentlemn. of the Bay in our next Lettr.

AGREED to advise the Gentlemen in the Bay of its con[dition] in our next Genll. Lettr.

Impt. Warehousekeepr. havg. referr'd sendg. a List of demands by the last Ships on Accot. of the Merchts. dillatoryness the merchts. were sent for and a List requir'd wch. they could not resolve the Left hand Cast beg. absent & the rest were accordingly dismiss'd.

Our Impt. Warehousekr. having deferr'd sending his list of demands by the last ships on accot. of our Merchants dilatoriness in resolving the sorts of Goods, & refusal to write for the same quantity of bales t[hey] usually did, and the Dawsonne being now lading for England, by w[hich] we promis'd to send the said List of demands, the Merchants were call'd in, & the list requir'd of them, but those of the left hand Cast being absent on accot. of performg. some obsequies to their decd. father Mutta Marr Chitty, the Rt. hand Merchants could not conveniently determine of themselves, & therefore promis'd to consult wth. the others, and come to a resolution in time to deliver it in the next Consultation, whereupon they were dismiss'd.

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Messrs. Thomas Cooke, Randall Fowke and ye. Secretary, who were Order'd in Consultation the 21st. instant to take an Inventory of Mr. Thomas Jenkinsons effects on account of his distraction, now deliver in the same. ORDER'D that they do take Mr. Jenkinsons effects agreable to ye. Inventory into their Custody, and sell off such of them as are perishable, and will be depreciated by lying, and that the Secretary do affix a Note at the Sea Gate, for all persons that have had any dealings or concerns with Mr. Jenkinson to bring in the same to him forthwith that they may be by them adjusted, & the ballances receiv'd or paid, & whereas there are, as appears by the Inventory, sevll. Parcels of Goods said to belong to other Persons, who had deposited them in his hands before his illness to dispose of for their accots. the said Gentlemen & Secry. are also Order'd to deliver them respectively to the Proprietors or their attorneys if absent, upon due proof of the legality of their demands being made within a convenient time after publick notice being given.

Messrs. Cooke, Fowke and ye. Secry. deliver in an Inventory of Mr. Jenkinsons effects, Order'd they take an Inventory of ye. same Effects into their custody to dispose of as they think fitt.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

Dr. THE ESTATE OF MR. JOHN PERRY DECD. Cr.

	Pags.	fa.	Ca.	Pags.	fa.	Ca.
[Pay']d the Secry. for prove. his will				5	—	—
[Do.] Mr. Crokes Accot. of funll. Charges				51	34	—
[Do.] for Cooley hire & hyar for make. [Ceme]try				1	11	—
[Pa]yd. his Legacy to Dr. Pichier				20	—	—
[and] paid the following demands [on the] Estate ⅌ ordr. of Consultation Vizt.						
[Nat]h. Elwick Warehousekeepr. [pa]id his Note	2	18	—			
[Hen]ry Taylor pd. his bill	3	35	—			
[. . .] Randall Muggona paid [as per Mr.] Penys Note to him ...	26	—	—			
Thos. Gatwood paid the balle. of his accot. Currant	4	9	20			
Mr. Jenkinson pd. his Note for Shyrash Wine	12	—	—			
Mr. Gill pd. his Note for balle. of Accounts	2	30	—			
Dr. Pitchier pd. his Note for Apparrell sold	4	—	—			
Augustus Burton paid the ballo. of his Acct. Currt.	7	6	—			
Mr. Richards pd. his Note for provisions	1	9	—			
Mr. Lawrence pd the balle. of his Accot. Currt.	3	27	—			
Mr. Edwd. Crokes Note for Cash lent.	17	15	—			
Dubash Royloo his Note for wages ...	3	—	—			
Calliane Chitty pd. Mr. Peny's Note to him	4	29	40			
Samll. Fowler paid his Note for Cash lent	2	—	—			
				94	34	60
To Commission on the ⅌ Contra 5 ⅌ Cent				22	25	45
Pags.				195	33	25
To Ballance pd. into ye. Honble. Co. Cash				258	9	75
Pags.				454	7	20

	Pags.	fa.	Ca.
By Cash found in a purse in his Escrut.	3	18	—
By the Honble. Comps. Salary due to him for 2 mo. 9 ds. ends. 22d. Septr. 1719 at £ 30 ⅌ anñ	12	28	—
By Amount of his Effects sold at Outcry as ⅌ Accot. particulars	437	33	20
Pags.	454	7	20

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ERRORS EXCEPTED.
⅌ THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.

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To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
President & Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{t}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}.

When the late Govr. &c^{t}. Council suspe[nded me] from the service of the R^{t}. Honble. Company, and order'd me up to [imbarcque] I sustain'd such losses, when the ship Triplicane happen'd to [appear] on shore (on wch. ship I was Order'd to imbarcque) that Reduced [me to] low Circumstances, and so long as I could, I maintain'd my [self on] shore, and wrote for the Accomptant, but my salary being [stopt] nothing left to subsist on, wch. Necessity compelled me to go [abroad] for a maintenance, but so soon as I receiv'd intelligence th[at the] Honble. Company had been pleas'd to Reinstate me in their [service I] repair'd to Fort S^{t}. George.

I therefore humbly request that your [Hon^{r}.] &c^{t}. would be pleas'd to look back to that paragraph which [relates] to me, and whatever business you shall be pleas'd to employ [me on] I shall behave with the utmost fidelity & diligence. I am with due respect & Submission.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}. Council
Yo^{r}. most Humble & Obed^{t}. Servant
January 25th. 1719/20. Thos. Wilford.

Brig. Triplicane Capt. Woodhouse saild for Bengall by whom sent a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. dat^{d}. 26th. Instant. 28th.

Dispatch'd a Gen^{ll}. to Bombay of this days date. 29th.

Sloop Ramah arr^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David. —

Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from D^{o}. dated the 27th. instant. —

Brigantine Codabux Mahomud Hussain Noquedah arr^{d}. from Bengall. —

Ship Sancta Maria Cojee Melk Noquedah arr^{d}. from Pegu. 30th.

At a Consultation

Present

February Monday 1st.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{r}. & Govr.
Nathaniel Elwick. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Richard Benyon. J. Emmerson. J. Turton.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. his Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month read, ballance remaining Pag^{s}. Seventy six thousand and fifteen 5 fan^{s}. & 68 Cash.

[C]ashiers Acco^{t}. for last month read ball^{ce}. rem^{g}. [Pag^{s}.] 76015 : 5 : 68.

Joshua Draper Sec^{ry}. pays in Pag^{s}. one hundred and thirty for permission of passage to Messrs. Hugh Norris, Elihu Trenchfield, Charles Boddam, William Redshaw & Francis Everest on ships K[ing] William & Emelia to Great Brittain at 26 pag^{s}. each.

[Secr^{ty}.] p^{s}: in Pag^{s}. 130 [for] permission of passage [for sun]dry Persons.

Order'd that Three thousand Pag^{s}. be advanc'd the President to defray Charges Garrison.

[Presid^{t}.] advanc'd Pag^{s}. 3000 to defray [Charges Garrison.]

Gen^{ll}. Letter from Fort S^{t}. David dated 27th. Ult^{o}. read.

[Genll Lett^{r}.] from F^{t}. S^{t}. David [d^{d}. 27] Ult^{o}. Read.

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[Capt. Irving's] request to [lay down his] service de[livered].

Capt. John Irving delivers in a request as entered after this Consultation to lay down the Honble. Comps. service wch. is Granted.

[Paymaster re]ports the Tent [is]wh. worms[Agreed yt.]we waite [sometime]and if nothing [yields to sell it at]Outcry.

The Paymaster reports, that the worms have got into the Tent, & that upon setting it up lately to air it, he finds it in a very decaying condition ; It is therefore Agreed to wait a little longer, and if none will offer to purchase, it is the Opinion of the Board, that it will be better to put it up at outcry, & sell it for wt. it will yeild and sitt down content wth. the first loss.

[Randll] Fowkes[comm. pro]duc'd as also [of Mr. Bulkley] as Officers.

The Secry. produces Mr. Randall Fowkes's Comm̃. Renew'd for Capt. of the Traindbands & Mr. Bulkleys for Lieutent. both wch. are sign'd.

Comps. Merchts : de[liver in a list] of five hundred bales and the Warehousekeepr : [to in]sert it in his [list of] demands.

The Honble. Compas. Merchants appear, & deliver in a list of Five hundred bales to be demanded from Europe, wch. the Warehousekr. is Order'd to specify in his list of demands for the Impt. Warehouse.

[Mrs.H]annah Greenhaugh [pays in] Pags. 300 for [3 bills of] Exchange on the Compy.

Mrs. Hannah Greenhaugh pays in Pags. Three hundred for wch. three bills of Exchange are given her of this days date payable to Messrs. Peter & James Theobald or order at 9s ℔ Paga.

[Mr.]Hubbard ps : in Pags. [46] for Bills on the Honble. [Compy.]

Mr. James Hubbard pays in Pagodas Forty Six for wch. three bills of Exchange are giv'n him of this days date payable to Mr. Roderick Price or order at 9s. ℔ Paga.

Letter to Ft. St. David [℔] ship Dawsonne of this days date also Capt. Benfeilds dispatches read and sign'd.

Genll. Letter to Fort St. David of this days date design'd ℔ ship Dawsonne also Capt. Richd. Benfields dispatches read & signed.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Jn : Turton.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. Geor. &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ce.

After a Just and faithfull discharge of sevll. Employs in the Honble. Comps. Service for some years on the West Coast [*a few words lost*] I was obliged to act as a military s[ervant] gone through there, I requested leave of the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr. late Govr. here to accompany him over in the year 1716 but soon after arrivall was desir'd to return back to Fort Marlbrô on the West [Coast] with a Lieutenants Commission, granted me by the Honble. Edward Harrison Esqr. then President & Govr. here along with Mr. Richard Farmer Deputy Governr. in whose time I made severall dangerous but successfull expeditions against the Companys enemys in those places and was afterwards sent by Mr. Thomas Cooke Successour to [Mr. Richd.] Farmer as Supra Cargo on a Voyage to Benjar, the hardships of [which] had nigh cost me my Life, by a dangerous fitt of sickness, during [my] absence Marlbrô Fort was unforunately cutt off by the Natives [a]mong many losses I there

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sustain'd, my Commission was one, but [after] my arrivall here upon my application to the Honble. Joseph Collet Esqr. he was pleas'd to grant me a new one for this place bearing date December the 3^{d}. one thousand seven hundred and Nineteen.

I now referr it to your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. whether my former Commission for Lieutenant at the West Coast does not entitle me on my return hither a superiority to any Lieutenants whose Commissions were since that time given them here, wch. if yor. Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. allow of, I am then Superiour to Lieutenants Orrill, Sutherland and Gough but if it should be determin'd that a Commission given for a subordinate Factory gives one no title here, Your Hon^{r}. &c^{t}. will be pleased to observe that the Commission I receiv'd for a Lieutenant of this place from the late President since my arrival gives me a precedence to Capt. Gough, his former Commission being for a Subordinate Factory as well as mine ; I beleive it is easy to prove that no mans Commission that was older was ever postpon'd to a younger Officer of the same rank but that all Officers takes post, according to the first date of their Commission, except they have been turn'd out for some fault or laid down in such case they become the youngest of the same Rank, but as I find your Honour &c^{t}. have been pleased to allow the superiority to Capt. Gough by giving him a Company, and as you have been also pleased to appoint me youngest Lieutenant of the Garrison in the Commissions now given out, I must confess I am at a loss to know what I have done to deserve it, on the contrary I can give sufficient proof that I have discharged my duty well and faithfully ever since I have had the honour to be employd, I therefore now begg leave to lay down the Honble. Comp̃. service for the abovementioned reasons, & am wth. all Respect.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{t}.
Yo^{r}. Most Obed^{t}. Servant

JOHN IRVING.

FORT S^{t}. GEORGE
FEBRY. 1st. 17$\frac{19}{20}$.

Ship Dawsonne (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Richard Benfield Comm^{r}. sail'd for Fort S^{t}. David, by whom sent a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of yesterdays date, & Ten thousand pagodas as a supply for their Cash. 2^{D}.

Dispatch'd a Gen^{ll}. Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David ℘ Tappies of this days date to accompany Duplicate of w^{t}. sent ℘ Dawsonne. —

Ship Francis saild for Bengall Capt. Sam^{ll}. Greenslate Comm^{r}. —

Sloop Ramah sail'd for Fort S^{t}. David. —

Brigantine Anoman Olivoo Own^{r}. saild for Narsapore. 4TH.

Brigantine Narsingo sail'd for D^{o}. —

Brigantine Maudenabux sail'd for Nagoor. —

Ship Francis Capt. William Hurst arriv'd from Tranquebar. 5TH.

Brigantine Maudenabux Manuila Noquedah arr^{d}. from S^{t}. Thoma. 6TH.

Brigantine Vincatashia sail'd for Nagore. —

Brigantine Essex Capt. John Dematt sailed for Bengall. —

The 26th. ult^{o}. was affix'd at the Sea Gate a Notice in writing for all persons that had any accounts with M^{r}. Thomas Jenkinson, to bring in the same to the end that they might be fairly adjusted ; and this day publick notice in writing was also given for the sale of sundry Effects belonging to him, both in pursuance of an order of Consultation made the 25th. ultimo. —

JOSHUA DRAPER
Secry.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 8TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON. JNO. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

Land Customrs. Accot. for last month read.

Randall Fowke Land Customer his account for last mo. read Vizt.

Choultry Customs	Pags.	309	28	57
Ruby Brokerage		8	4	4
Registring Slaves		4	32	—
	Pags.	322	28	61

ballce. due from him Pags : 302. 31. 61.

ballance due from him Pags. Three hundred and Two, 31 fas. 61 Cash.

[Paymr.] advanc'd Pags. 1000.

ORDER'D that One thousand pagodas be advanc'd the Paymaster.

A List of Goods remg. in the Impt. Warehouse, and a list of demands for the year 1721 deliverd in.

Mr. Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekr. delivers in an accot. of Goods remaining in the Impt. Warehouse, and a list of demands for the year 1721 both wch. are ORDER'D to be sent in our paquet by ye. Dawsonne.

Mr. Richd. Farmer Petitions for his liberty wch. is granted as far as the English bounds.

Mr. Richard Farmer having Petition'd the President for his liberty AGREED that it be granted him for so far as the English bounds.

Attorneys of Mr. Frederick together wth. several other Persons pay into cash Pags. 5207 : 20 : 66 for Bills on the Honble. Compy.

Messrs. Chas. Long and Thos. Robson Attorneys of Mr Thos. Frederick pay into Cash Pags. One hundred and eleven and eight fans. for which three bills of Exchange are given him of this days date payable to the said Thos. Frederick or ordr. at 9s. ₱ Pagoda	Pags.	111	8	—
Messrs. Thos. Robson, Fras. Hugonin & Thos. Way pay in Pags. 655 : 25 for bills of this days date payable to the Revd. Mr. Geo : Lewis and Mrs. Ann Wigmore or their order at 9s. ₱ Pagoda		655	25	—
Mr. John Turton pays in Pags. five hundred for bills datd. the 4th. Instant payable to Mr. Benjamin Turton or ordr. at 9s. ₱ Paga.		500	—	—
Mr. Randall Fowke pays in Pags. Two thousand for bills of ys. days date payable to John Freeman Esqr. of Fawley Court or ordr. at 9s. ₱ [Paga].		2000	—	—
Mr. John Maubert & Mrs. Eliza. Turner pay in Pags. One thousand for bills of this days date payable to Mr. Nath. Turner or ordr. at 9s. ₱ [paga.]		1000	—	—
Mr. Richd. Benyon pays in Pags. 658 : 15 : 66 for bills of this days date payable to Mrs. Grace Benyon, Thos. Pitt & Edwd. Harrison Esqrs. Executors to the Estate of Mr. Bernd. Benyon				

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decd. or ordr. at 9s. ℔ Paga.	658	15	66
Mr. John Turton pays in Pags. Two hundred for bills of this days date payable to Mr. Henry Frankland or order at 9s. ℔ Pagoda	200	—	—
Mr. Jno. Turton pays in Pags. Eighty two & 8 fans. for bills of dos. date payable to Mr. Willm. Lea or order at 9s. ℔ Pago.	82	8	—
Pags.	5207	20	66

The President proposes to the board to enter upon a Contract for the ensuing year, in order to wch. the Accomptant is ORDER'D to lay before the board the next Consultation, our Merchants Accot. Currant & we also think it proper to have an accot. of what Tonnage may be expected together wth. an accot. of wt. goods have been recd. in upon the last Contract, & what remain still to be brot. in.

The Presidt. proposes to enter upon a Contract, the Accompt. is order'd to lay before the board the Merchts. Accot. Currt. & of what Tonnage may be expended, together wth. what goods have been recd. upon the last Contract.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 8th. Instant. 12TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRYDAY 12TH. 4 IN YE. AFTERNOON

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON. J. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

Genll. Letter from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 8th. instant read inclosing their Cash accot. for last mo. and old and new Merchants accots.

Genll. Letter from Ft. St. David dated the 8th. Instant read.

Mr. Richd. Horden pays into Cash Pags. Twelve hundred for which three bills of Exchange are giv'n him of this days date payable to Mrs. Ann Horden & Mr. Alexr. Bennet or order at 9s. ℔ Pagoda.

Mr. Richd. Horden ps. in Pags. 1200 for bills on the Honble. Compy.

Lewis Mellicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine licence pays into Cash Pags. 333 : 12. fas. for last mo. rent of that Farm.

Farmr. of the Arrack & Wine Lycence ps. in Pags. 333 : 12, for last months [accts].

The Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David advising in their Letter abovemd. that they shall be able to fill up the Dawsonne by the 20th. instant at least It is AGREED that the Paquet we intend by her, be sent the 16th. by Mussoola, wch. will in all probability arrive wth. them by the 18th. so that they may have an opportunity of dispatching her within the time proposed.

they advising from Ft. St. David they shall be able to fill up the Dawsonne [on] the 20th. Agreed that the Paoquet be sent the 16th by Mussool a.

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The Accomp^{t}. pursuant to order delivers in a state of the Merch^{ts}. Acco^{ts}. in order to enter upon a new Contract.

The Accomptant (pursuant to order of last Consultation) delivers in the state of our Merchants Acco^{ts}. in order to our entrance upon a Contract wth. them forthwith (as is usuall at this dry time of the year) for a number of bales to be provided against the dispatch of our shipping for Octo^{r}. and January next ensuing, and likewise for such as may fall in here so, that we shall be obliged to dispatch them in August or September, as the Cardonnell was dispatch'd that came hither from the West Coast, & was sent home in 1716, the King William 1717, the Success 1718 the Darby (who was detain'd for want of Kentilage) in Decem^{r}. the same year, & the Queen from the West Coast in July this last year.

What appears to be Ord^{d}. in upon the Contract made in March & June and when the totalls bro^{t}. in what rem^{s}. due to the Merch^{ts}.

It appears by the state of the Merchants Accounts aforesaid that there are now nineteen hundred 73 bales & a half remaining to be brought in to compleat the Contracts made in March and June last, and that when those $1973\frac{1}{2}$ bales are brought in, there will be due to the Right hand sett Pag^{s}. 12522 : 13 : 30 and to the Left hand sett Pag^{s}. 19676 : 16 : 14 in all Pag^{s}. 32198 : 29 : 44.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints the board, that M^{r}. Jennings the Depty Govr. has inform'd [him] what remain'd to be [brought] in at ffort S^{t}. David. Also what he computes to be at Vizagapatam, and the amo^{t}. of the whole being $4678\frac{1}{2}$ wch. are all that are to come in on the last years Contract.

The President thereupon (in pursuance of the Overtures which he made the last Consultation towards entring upon a new Contract) acquaints the Board, that he is advised by M^{r}. Jennings the Deputy Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. David that when the Dawsonne is dispatch'd for England, there will be remaining to be brought in there upon the Contracts made in March & June last 1305 bales, which were 900 bales that he Computes at Vizagapatam (thô by the last advices they had but abo^{t}. 300 of them ready, & the rest can't well be expected before Septr. or Octo^{r}. next) together wth. the $1973\frac{1}{2}$ to be brought in here will amount to $4678\frac{1}{2}$ bales, which are all that are to come in upon all the Contracts made the last year at this place Fort S^{t}. David, & Vizagapatam.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints the board that he beleives the afores^{d}. bales not sufficient for the shipping y^{t}. that may be expected latt^{r}. end of Jan^{ry}. or Feb^{ry}. next & thinks it necess^{ry}. to enter into a Contract wth. the Merch^{ts}. at the three sev^{ll}. places as will be sufficient.

The President then proceeded to acquaint y^{e}. Board, That believing the number of bales aforesaid will not be sufficient for the dispatch of all the shipping, which are expected from Europe, and may fall upon our hands by the latter end of January or ffebruary next ensuing he thinks it highly necessary to engage in a Contract with the Merchants forthwith at this place Fort S^{t}. David and Vizagapatam for as many bales as with the $4678\frac{1}{2}$ aforesaid will be sufficient for the Tonnage we expect, and for what may accidentally drop in upon us.

Upon which sev^{ll}. objections arose by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson and Turton who tho^{t}. it would be to the Comp^{s}. advantage to stay till the arrival of the Europ shipping.

Hereupon severall scruples and objections were rais'd by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton who declared, that they thought it would be more for the Honble. Companys Interest to deferr entring upon a Contract till the arrivall of a ship from Europe, than to sett about it immediately, on acco^{t}. of a New list for Investment wch. might probably be sent out, and some of them urg'd that the bales remaining to be brought in upon the last years Contracts would be sufficient for the dispatch of all the shipping of the ensuing year.

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The President then laid before the Board an account of the Tonnage that may reasonably be expected this year and the number of bales requisite for the same, wch. are as follows.

The Presid^t^. lays before the board the Tonnage y^t^. may be expected y^e^. year & the Numb^r^. of bales sufficient for the same.

The GODFREY from the West Coast burthen about two hundred & Fifty tons, who is order'd to return hither after having reliev'd the settlement of Moco Moco, in case they can't give her a loading of pepper, wch. is much to be feared, or if they should be able to put on board her a small quantity, and she should by proceeding along the Coast get a little more, and then come hither, she will nevertheless require her full lading of bales, because it will be for the Interest of our Honble. Masters to take it out, and divide it amongst the Coast & Bay ships to be dispatch'd from hence the same year, As their Tonnage will not at all be diminish'd by it, and the Commanders have agreed by their Charterpartys to carry such pepper home at half freight in consideration of that very particular advantage wch. always accrues to them by its being shott loose in y^e^. hold and taking up little or no room, as its interspersed amongst the bales, and consequently is clear proffit to the Owners. The Geõ. Brigant. having been sent on purpose to relieve the Godfrey, she may be [for] the foregoing reasons expected, and being a ship of 250 Tons burthen wth. iron Kintilage on board, she may reasonably be believ'd to require . . . Bales 800.

The Godfrey 250 Tons bales 800.

The next ship to be expected is THE CRAGGS FRIGAT about 400 Tons burthen: By a late letter from Messrs. Pyke & Caulier, we are ascertain'd of her safe arrivall at Batavia, and thô they have form'd a resolution to repossess our Honble. Masters of Fort Marlbrô if possible, yet the wilderness of that project (owing to the weak condition they are in to undertake it, as having but 40 Soldiers and most of them by their own account sickly) affords us too much reason to apprehend their failure in that attempt; and in case of such a failure they have advised us in their letter aforementioned that they will come directly hither; It may be objected to this, that if They should not succeed at Fort Marlbrô, but hear of the safety of our Settlement at Moco Moco They may proceed thither, and uniting their force make a 2^d^. tryall, In answer whereto, Let it be granted, That they do hear of the safety of Moco Moco, & proceed thither; When they arrive it is probable they will find the Godfrey & George Brigantine there, and M^r^. Pyke will doubtless peruse the orders & instructions we sent by them; If so He will find that we are unwilling to enter upon an expedition, that will be so expensive to our H. Masters without their previous knowledge & Consent and consequently will be deterr'd from going about it if he considers likewise the unwarrantableness of acting in such an important affair, or in any other, without leave from this board, while he is in a station subordinate to it; These and the like reasons may determine him to stay at Moco Moco, especially when he finds our people well establish'd there, & tolerably well secured or fortify'd, and that the place is commodiously situated for the pepper trade, and productive of a large quantity; If he resolves to stay, he will doubtless detain the Geô. Brigantine (till we can send over the Metchlepatam or Young Darby to relieve her) and return the Godfrey with the Craggs Frigat to us for a speedy dispatch from hence for England, to prevent that eating article of Demorage as much as possible—These Reasons being sufficient whereupon to ground our Expedition of having the Craggs Frigat to dispatch home from hence in August or Sept. next, we compute her burthen to be about 400 Tons, and therefore think it proper to make an allowance for her Cargoes (as her Kintilage consists of iron also) of bales. . . . Bales 1500

The Cragg Frigat [about] 400 [tons] bales 1500.

The ships to be most expected next to the Godfrey & Craggs frigatt are from England, this year, in proportion to w^t^. were sent us the last year; these were 4 in number Viz^t^. The King William, the Marlbrô, the Vansittart & Townshend. The Tonnage of all wch. amounted to about 1900 Tons, and if the Gentlemen in the Bay are supply'd with as much Tonnage this year as they were the last, they may probably be obliged to send us one of their ships to fill up here, as they have now done the

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and if the Bay are overstock'd wth. ships they may be oblig'd to send one here to be filld up wch. will make 2000 Tons and Bales 9000.

Dawsonne, because the Honble. Company have thought fitt to inlarge their investment very considerably, as well as ours, which will at least, if it so happen make up the expected tonnage aforemd. 2000 Tons wch. require 9000. Bales.

Objections made by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmersn. & Turton of the uncertainty of the Tonnage of or of the money to pay for the Goods.

It was then Objected by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton, That we were not certain of receiving as much Tonnage this year as we did the last, nor of a sufficient Stock of mony to pay for the goods still to be brought in upon the old Contracts, and to pay for what we may now Contract Besides.

To Obviate ye. difficoulty aforementd. The Presidt. alledg'd the Compy. could not send out those ships to bring home the goods in yt. large List for Investmt. it being impracticable to procure them for their return therefore will send us reasonable supply of both shipping and Money.

To obviate these difficultys The President alledged That if the Tonnage sent out the last year was greater than usuall, the Investment was also greater but it is plain the Company could not send those ships out with a design that they should bring home the Goods order'd in that large list for Investment, because they must have known when they send them out, that it was impracticable to get those goods ready for their return a few months after, & it appears that the last years ships carried home mostly the Goods provided upon the March Contract, and that the 1/3d. of the large List for Investment contracted for In June, remains at this time (or the most part of it) to be sent home upon the ships wch. the Compa. shall be pleas'd to send us out this year; and they well knowing (as doubtless they do) the necessity of it, and that this is the constant course or Channel in wch., their affairs run, we think there is no reason to apprehend their failure in making a suitable provision both of shipping & mony.

The Presidt. remarks upon readg. over a Cons. held by ys. board the 22d. of June last when Mr. Collet was Presidt.

The President went on to say, That upon reading over the Consultation held by this Board the 22d. of June last when Mr. Collet was President, he finds, That one third of the large list for Investmt. Just then arrived, was agreed to be contracted for at that time, in order to lighten this years work, the meaning of wch. he takes to be in plain terms That the Board were willing to provide 1/3d. of those goods then that the remaining 2/3ds. might not fail to be Compassed within the year following wch. is this now running, and those words he is of opinion imply an express Agreement to contract with the Merchants [for the remaining] 2/3ds. and that too as early as this time, Because, As 1/3d. of that list for Investment was contracted for in June last to lighten this years work, that the remaining 2/3ds. allotted for this years work might the easier be compass'd within this year, Were we to deferr making a new Contract till May next, or till a ship arrives from England as Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton propose, we should not then have time enough left to provide the said 2/3ds. and Compleat our last years orders, by the end of this year, which was the time the Board Agreed to compleat ym. in, And therefore those Gentlemen abovemention'd who sign'd to that agreement, and now insist upon deferring the provision of the Goods till May next, (when it will be too late to get ym. in by the end of December) do plainly prove, that they are for refusing to allow the Board time to put those agreements and orders in Execution, wch. they themselves have Joyned in making.

The Presidt. in his remarks on the Cons. of the 22d. June the board acknowledg'd [that] when they made ye. Contract they had a great

The President proceeded to say, that he observes in the Consultation of the 22d. of June aforemention'd The Board acknowledge that when they made the Contract in March last, they had a great quantity of Goods upon hand and that they made that Investment for about as many Goods as compleated their preceding years orders; He adds that the proposal he now makes for a Contract, is exactly agreable to it, Which is, that a sufficient quantity of Goods may be provided to compleat our last years orders, to the end, that together wth. what remains upon the late Contracts, we may have wherewithall to dispatch the expected shipping, and such as may fall to

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our share to send home; He further adds that since the Contract now, is proposed upon the same terms with what was made in March last, and that since the motives to enter upon this, are the same wch. induced the Board to agree to that; a dissent to this, past by those who readily came into that, is, in his opinion, very unaccountable. No objection was then made of staying for the arrival of a ship from England, thô it was a month late in the year than at this time, and the King William was then daily expected from England for setling Dieu Island; and she did arrive in about two months and a half after the Contracts were Concluded; so that considering the large Quantity of Goods, which the Board in their Consultation beforemention'd acknowledge to have had on hand when the March Contract was made, The President is of Opinion, they might have waited for a New list of Investment with less inconvenience to our Hon[ble]. Masters affairs at that time, than we can safely do at present, because we are more early in our entrance upon a Contract, & have not such substantiall reasons to expect a ship from England so soon. It was objected that some alteration might be made in the expected [list. To] this the President reply'd That our Investment would consist for the most part, of course Goods which were seldom known to be out of demand at home and for that reason little or no alteration could be expected as to the sorts, and that as for the Lengths and breadths they were already work'd up to as great a pitch as they can possibly be carried. quantity of Goods on board.

The apprehension of our want of mony to pay for the Goods now proposed to be contracted for being again started as a Remora to this affair, The state of our Cash was Examin'd into, & Pag[s]. 79232 : 2 : 54 found to be the ball[e]. resting this day, besides Pag[s]. 25604 : 14 : 7, due from M[r]. Rich[d]. Horden, Imp[t]. Warehousekeep[r]. which he says he shall be able to pay in very quickly, and both those sums amount to Pagod[s]. 104836 : 16 : 61. The ballances that will be due to both our setts of Merchants when all the Goods are bro[t]. in upon all the Contracts made here the last year, are Pag[s]. 32193 : 29 : 44, and when they are paid, we shall even have a ballance of Pag[s]. 72637 : 23 : 17 out of which if we allow Pags. 12637 : 23 : 17. to pay for what due to the Merchants at Fort S[t]. David, that sum Joyn'd to the 13000 Pag[s]. they have there in Cash, will doubtless satisfy that article and defray their Charges Garrison &c[t]. pretty near till a ship may arrive with a supply from England so that when all the incumbrances in view are clear'd, we shall have Pag[s]. 60000, in hand to enter upon a new Contract with all, (for our Revenues, & sales out of our Warehouses we Compute will bear our Expences now our buildings are near compleated) and we shan't have occasion to pay for any of the Goods to be bro[t]. in upon the new Contract proposed till two or three m[os]. hence, in w[ch]. time it is probable we may receive Ten or fifteen Chests of Treasure from the West Coast (the Gentlemen there having directions to send us the overplus of what will satisfy their Occasions) and it's possible we may by that time also receive supply's from England; As for Vizagapatam we can't expect any draughts upon our Cash from thence for M[r]. Symonds carried down with him Pag[s]. 40000 in Rup[s]. & Pagodas upon the Metchlepatam, in August last to pay for the Goods to be provided there. The want of money being again bro[t]. in question the state of the Cash examin'd w[ch]. was found to be 104836 : 16 : 61. & when all incumbrances are clear'd there will be 60000 in hand to enter upon a new Contract.

The President still finding all the reasons he had giv'n were not satisfactory to some of the Members of the Board, acquainted them that he esteemed a list for Investment obligatory on us punctually to comply wth. equally wth. the express orders in our H. Masters letters, & to convince them thereof alluded to the 33[d]. parag. of that receiv'd by the King William the last year w[ch]. is as follows. The Presid[t]. find[g]. his still of no Effect to some of the Membr[s]. of the board acquaints y[m]. that he esteems it obligatory to comply for an Investm[t]. as is the express orders of our H. Masters Letters.

"Herewith y[o]. will receive the orders for Investments, or List of goods to be "provided, drawn up by our Committee of Warehouses, w[ch]. y[o]. must always have a "due regard unto, as if mention'd verbatim in our Letter, as well with regard to "what is caution'd against, or forbidden as w[t]. is to be provided.

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The Presidt. further informs the board that 'twas particularly recommended him by the late Presidt. Mr. Collett to set abot. a Contract as soon as possible.

The President further inform'd the Board, That it was particularly recommended to him by the late President Mr. Collet to set about this Contract as soon as possible after his departure for the same reasons wch. he himself has already giv'n, besides wch. he desires the Board to consider, that this is the dry season fittest for washing & Curing of Cloth ; That most if not all the Goods remaining upon the last Contracts are already in our bounds, so that the Weavers being unemploy'd, will doubtless ingage wth. the Dutch, French & the Agents for the Interlopers unless we speedily sett them at work, That if we should be disappointed of the Rains we expect in April, & the devastations arising from the civill wars in the Country, should, as its fear'd they may, spread so far as to affect our trade, our Merchants would take a handle from our delay to Contract wth. them, and not consent to provide goods for us upon the terms they may at present, & therefore such an Opportunity as the present one should not be lost. That if we do not comply wth. the last list for Investment, & provide the remaining 2/3ds. after the Agreemt. in Consultation made the 22d. June last as already mention'd, and after all the foregoing reasons that have been giv'n for the doing it, We may in case of Accidents by War, Famine & the like, (when we shan't be able to Contract if we would as we are able at present to do) perhaps be made accountable to the Honble. Company for the damages wch. may accrue to them by our delay, & by such accidents attending it, for non-complyance with their last list for Investment ratify'd by an express order in their Genll. Letter. That if we should by contracting now for the remainder of the last list for Investment and by being disappointed of the expected Tonnage, have a surplusage on hand, We might make our Contract for the next year proportionably less, or ease the Gentlemen at the Bay by taking a ship off their hands besides the two which they usually send to fill up here ; That it has been hitherto thought an acceptable piece of service to the H. Compa. to provide a sufficient quantity of Goods, early for the dispatch of our shipping, although upon the failure of our Cash, we paid our Merchts. with Interest but the state of our Cash (as to its large ballo.) as before represented is an undeniable Argument of the little reason we have to apprehend our being put to those streights ; That However when the Board Contracted in March last the ballance of their Cash the day they enter'd upon it was but Pags. 6582 : 27 : 48. being the 16th. of that month, and they were then indebted upon bond upwards of Fifty thousand Pagodas to Suncah Ramah &ct. Merchants, that notwithstanding those disadvantagious circumstances they concluded a Contract for the then ensuing year without the least hesitation, thô they confess they had a large quantity of Goods upon hand, but it seems they thought themselves obliged nevertheless to comply with the preceding years orders. Upon comparing our present circumstances with those abovemention'd, We find the ballance of our Cash is like to be about 60,000 Pags. clear of all incumbrances, and that we are not indebted more than a trifle upon bond. This being evident, is an additionall encouragement for us to enter upon the Contract, and in order thereto, the Presidt. thinks proper to recount the Tonnage of the sevll. ships that may lye upon us to dispatch home Vizt.

The Presidt. thinks proper to recount ye. Tonnage of the ships that may lye upon our hands to be dispatchd home this ensuing season.

		Tons.	Bales.
THE GODFREY ...	Tons ...	250 will require	800
THE CRAGGS FRIGGATT ...		400 will require	1500
COAST & BAY SHIPS four wch. together with an allowance for one from Bengall to fill up besides the two usually sent		2000 will require	9000
WEST COAST SHIPS' two, wch. will probably be Consd. there ys. year as the Crags & Godfrey were the last, before advices of the late accident there can reach England ...		550 will require about	2000
		3200 will require	Bales 13300

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It appears by the foregoing calculate that the Tonnage for y^e^. ensuing year will require 13300 bales, and it is also possible that the Thistleworth & Borneo may come hither from Borneo to fill up here, not being able to compleat their business at that place, & hearing that the English are cutt off at Bencoolen to whom they were always wont to have recourse upon such occasions, But without making any provision for them, as their coming hither is least to be depended on we shall require 13300 bales, and there being 4678½ bales remain^g^. to be brought in upon the last Contracts, It will be necessary to contract for 5000 bales more at least, of wch. 2000 with our Merchants here, 2400 wth. those at Fort S^t^. David, & to give ord^rs^. to Vizagapatam for 600 to be provided there, and these together with what were contracted for in June last will about compleat the last list for Investment, & be sufficient to dispatch all the ships that may lye upon us to send home. That the Tonnage for the ensuing year will require 13,300 bales and tis also possible the Borneo ships may come hither.

The Board notwithstanding all that had been urg'd by the President upon this occasion, not appearing unanimous, and it being absolutely necessary to determine this important affair one way or other before the Dawsonnes departure that our Honble. Masters might be advised of the Russell, He desir'd that the Voice of every single Member might be given, beginning at the Youngest, as is usuall in such Cases, where severall of them differ in opinion from the rest. the board not appears. unanimous notwithstands.[what] the Presidt. had urg'd. Put [ye.] Affair to the members [beginning]at the youngest.

The Voices of all the Members of the Board were accordingly in course declared, and separately minuted by the Sec^ry^. Whereupon they were summ'd up, and it appear'd that the Presid^t^. & Messrs. Horden, Cooke & Fowke were entirely of opinion that it would be most for the Comp^s^. Interest to contract forthwith for sev^ll^. Reasons wch. they separately gave (thô most of them were the substance of what the President had before laid down) and it appear'd likewise that Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton were of the contrary opinion so that the decision was at length made for an immediate Contract wth. the Merchants by the Presidents Casting Voice. The Voices of the Membrs. were accordingly declar'd & minuted and the decision at length made by the Govrs. Casting vote.

Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton then desired the liberty of delivering in the next Consultation their respective reasons for dissenting to the entrance upon a new Contract in this, which liberty was Granted them, & they are accordingly entered after this. Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson and Turton desires liberty to deliver in their separate reasons for their dissents.

The Contract being agreed to be made the Merch^ts^. were calld in, & ask'd if they were willing to Contract for two thousand bales in Separate Contracts to be provided by the end of Septr. next in y^e^. same proportions wth. that made in June last to wch. they readily consented, but being ask'd for an abatem^t^. in y^e^. price on acco^t^. of the late fall of the price of Grain, they reply'd, it was as dear in the Country as ever; at length not being able to prevail upon them after many arguments, the Contract was concluded for 2000 bales upon the terms of the last addit^ll^. Contract and they were dismiss'd wth. a charge to increase the number of wash^rs^. by all possible means. The Merchts. called in [and] ask'd if they were willing to Contract for 2000 bales to be provided by the end of Sepr. next. The Contract concluded for 2000 bales.

FRA: HASTINGS.
N: ELWICK.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN: TURTON.

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To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.

We cannot think it either necessary or advantagious for the Honble. Company to enter into new Contracts with the Merchants upon the old list at this Juncture for the following reasons.

First.—That upon the present running Contracts here and at Fort S^{t}. David there are still standing out, and will be remaining after the dispatch of the Dawsonne, supposing her to take in 700 bales Viz^{t}.

At this place	Bales 1973
At Fort S^{t}. David by the nearest Computation	2117
We dayly expect from Vizagapatam	300
and ought to have by Septr. according to the stock sent them more	500

These in all 4890, or exclusive of the additionall 500 from Vizagapatam 4390 will be a sufficient stock of goods for the Godfrey and Crags in July, supposing them to come here, and for two ships more of their burthen by October.

Being thus provided for our shipping to Octo^{r}., We are not under any apprehensions from loss of time by deferring our Contract, because thô the Merchants were now bringing in Goods, they must lye by some months before they could be prepared to be laden on account of the quantity that still remains of the old Contract to be wash'd &c^{t}. Viz^{t}. 1333 bales, wch. according to what hath of late been perform'd will employ the Washers and Beaters at least four months, so that should we begin to contract three months hence, the Merchants would still be ready with goods sufficient to keep the Washers &c^{t}. constantly employ'd in curing, and till they are embaled they are of no advantage towards dispatching our ships, therefore we do not perceive any loss of time by not entring into new Agreements with the Merch^{ts}. yet, thô we do conceive this difference, that we shall be obliged to part wth. considerable sums of mony so many months sooner than we deferr our Contract to.

Secondly it is possible if not probable that we may have a ship from England by the latter end of April or beginning of May, when we shall likewise receive a fresh supply of Cash (our Nett ballance when the debts now due to the Merchants are paid being but about 30000 Pag^{s}.) a new list of Investment, an account of the whole Tonnage we are to expect and perhaps the Stock by them; so that we shall then be able to contract upon much surer terms, as well wth. relation to our Tonnage and stock as in Conformity to the new List, and we do not conceive any necessity for compleating an old List, when we have a new, because we presume the Company would always be best satisfy'd with having their latest orders put in Execution if possible, otherwise they would not take the advantage of the first Opportunity for altering their List, unless they design'd we should alter our Investments likewise wch. we shall have no room for doing this year, if a large Contract is now made, and if we overdo it in proportion to our Tonnage and Stock, we shall only run ourselves unnecessarily in debt, and what advantage can it be to the Company to have a Surplusage of Goods in their Godowns, whilst they are paying Interest for the same? and these inconveniences may certainly be avoided, if we wait the arrivall of an early ship from Europe.

Thirdly we are of opinion that though no ship should arrive in April, it will still be time enough in May to begin upon providing for the January shipping, wch. are all our present forwardness requires some supply for. In this case we can only Guess at the Tonnage we may expect, wch. we shall do by comparison with former years particularly the last, which was as large as has been for some time, and therein we find the Quota design'd for us was 1390 Tons; admitting y^{e}. same this year, We have already premised that 2390 bales will be on hand after the Godfrey & Craggs are dispatch'd, which is sufficient lading for 600 Tons, so that there remains 790 Tons only to be provided for in January next; This we will allow may require near 3000 bales, 500 whereof we have remark'd ought to be depended on from Vizagapatam,

the remaining 2500 are if an early ship arrives to be provided upon the new List here and at Fort S^t^. David from May to January to compleat the expected Tonnage of this year; For here we must take notice that we have no reason to fear the West Coast shipping falling on our hands, because if the Company should have heard of the loss of that settlement they will send none that must lye upon us, and if they should not hear of it, the ships bound to that port will not probably be with us till March come twelve m^os^.

Now as it appears to us that we shall stand in need of no more than 2500 bales, we cannot at all doubt of being able to provide them between May and January, notwithstanding all the difficultys that may be supposed, of which we think we labour'd under as great a share the last year, as may be suspected in any succeeding one, and we can by no means apprehend that our forbearance a few months to contract with our Merchants, in hopes of acting agreeable to fresh orders from the Company, will have any ill influence touching the Weavers in the Country, so as to put them upon new employments, for they will bring their Goods to the usuall Markets, and our Merchants will still be buying up to supply us against we call for them, as they depend we shall have occasion some time in the year, whether now or three months hence; and we only forbear paying for them till we want them; which we are of Opinion we cannot begin to do till May next; And for the foregoing reasons therefore are for deferring our Contract till then; Which we think fitt to declare we are not moved to by any spirit of Opposition or contradiction but by a sincere regard to the Interest of our Honble. Employers according to the best of our Judgements.

NATHAN^LL^. ELWICK.
RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOHN TURTON.

Ship Munchu (belonging to the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.) Capt. George Biggins Comm^r^. arriv'd from Bengall. 12TH.

Sloop S^t^. John Monsr. La Pre saild for D^o^. —

Ship Jesu Maria Joseph saild for Porto Novo. 14TH.

Ship Raheim Hussanally Noquedah arriv'd from Bengall. 16TH.

Ship Nabemadutt Noore Mahomud Noquedah arrived from D^o^. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. JN^O^. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

TUESDAY THE 16°.

M^r^. Nathaniel Elwick delivers in a petition from M^r^. Jenkinson (as entred after this Consultation) late Writer at the Sea Gate, who ran distracted a little while ago and whose effects the board had for that reason put into the hands of Messrs. Cooke, Fowke & y^e^. Sec^ry^.

Petition of M^r^. Jenkinson deliver'd in by M^r^. Nath^ll^. Elwick as enterd after this Cons^n^.

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The Purport of Mr. Jenkinsons petition being that having recov'd from his illness desires a stop may be put to the sale of his Effects.

The President. of opinion that it would be proper to consult the Surgeons in this Affair.

The said Petition being read, it appears that Mr. Jenkinson finds himself likely to Recover, and therefore desires a stop may be put to the sale of his Effects, as hoping that in a short time he may be in a Capacity to act for himself; Whereupon the Board consented that no more of his Effects should be sold for the present as it was his desire, but the President takes occasion from thence to tell the Board, that if Mr. Jenkinson should petition for the re-delivery of his Effects into his own hands again, he is of opinion it would not be safe for them to grant it, untill the Surgeons should deliver in a report in writing to certify that he was return'd to a sound state of mind, because in case of a relapse proceeding from an imperfect Recovery we might render our selves obnoxious to blame from the Honble. Comp. and Reflections of inconsiderateness from Mr. Jenkinsons friends; The President adds, That he is also really of Opinion, Mr. Jenkinson wrote the Petition now preferr'd in a lucid interval (as it is very common with people in his circumstances to write & speak sometimes as sensibly as ever they did in their lives) but that he hopes the Board (by seeing Mr. Jenkinson continue in the sound state of mind he at present appears to be) may have it in their power to convince him of his Mistake.

The Presidt. of opinion that 'twill not be propr. to send the Dawsonne's Pacquet by Mussoola the Southerly winds beg. so strong sett in.

The President acquaints the Board that he has been inform'd by the Gunner, that as the Southerly winds and Currents are strong sett in, it will not be proper to send the Paquet for the Dawsonne by Mussoola as we proposed, & therefore its Agreed to send it by the Tappies.

Genll. Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors design'd ℘ ship Dawsonne read and sign'd Capt. Bendfeild's Dispatches as also a Letter to the Depty. Govr. and Council of Ft. St. David.

Genll. Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors design'd ℘ Ship Dawsonne of this days date read & Signed also Capt. Richd. Benfields dispatches dated the 20th. Current, and a Genll. Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David of this days date to inclose the said Dispatches, empow'ring them to alter ym. & post date them one day, in case they find it absolutely Necessary.

Tobacco Farmr. ps. in Pags. 583 : 12 for last months rent of yt. farm.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pags. Five hundred eighty three & twelve fanams for last months rent of that farm.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Jn : Turton.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &cr. Council.

The humble Petition of Thomas Jenkinson sheweth.

That yor. Petitionr. having been lately indisposed yor. Honr. &ct. have thought fitt to take my Affairs under your direction but now finding my Condition happily changed desire you'll please to deferr the disposing of any more of my Effects, hoping shortly to be in a Capacity of acting for my self and

Yor. Petitionr. shall ever Pray &ct.

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Dispatch'd a Genll. Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort St. David of this days date. 17TH.

Recd. a Genll. Letter from Ditto datd. the 16th. Instant. 19TH.

Recd. ℔ Pattamr. a Genll. Lettr. from the President and Council of Bombay datd. 23d. Decr. 1719. —

Ship St. Anthony arrd. from Bengall. —

Ship Chindadry Baucurbeak Noquedah arrd. from Raccan. —

Ship Munchu (belonging to the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.) Capt. George Biggins Commr. Sailed for Ganjam. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 20TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDENT & GOVR.
NATHANLL. ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON. J. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

The President acquaints the Board, that last night the Hovildar of the Metto near Egmore had stopped some oxen loaden wth. bricks & straw wch. belonged to the Honble. Co. and were bringing into Town, that upon being Complain'd to about it this morning by the Paymaster, as also of the people's being beat & imprisoned that were driving the Oxen, & refus'd to pay some mony, wch. the Metto people would have extorted from them, He sent the Cheif Dubash with some others to know the reason of such an insult, and to demand the delivery of our people whom he had imprisioned; The President adds, that instead of receiving a civil answr. to that message The Hovildar returned him a very sawcy one and Refused to lett the H. Comps. goods & people pass, thô the Cheif Dubash used many mild persuasive Argumts. with him for that purpose; at length not being able to prevail he Return'd and gave the President an accot. of what had passed, whereupon he Order'd the Cheif Peon with some others to go & Expostulate with him further, and in case of any Resistance to force the Hovildar to a Compliance, but when ye. Cheif peon went to him he found him at the head of about 50 of his peons & people in a fighting posture, and upon going up to him to deliver the Presidents message, the Hovildar drew his Scimeter & struck at him, wch. he warded off wth. his Target, & thereby evaded being cutt down, The Cheif peon immediately drew a pistoll from his side and shott the Hovildar, wch. when he had done he wth. his people fell upon the rest, and kill'd two more, wch. terrify'd the rest so much that they ran away.

The Presidt. acquaints the Board that ye. Hovildar of the Metto near Egmore had prohibited our Oxen passing laden wth. Bricks and straw.

The Cheif Dubash sent to know the reason of such an insult ye. Havildar returns a sawcy answr.

Cheif Peon sent to expostulate with him but found him at the head of fifty of his men, and when he went to deliver his Message from the Presidt. he drew out his scimeter and struck at him the Peon drew out a Pistol and shott him.

The President adds, that he thinks the Peon has by this action show'd himself a trusty servant to the Honble. Compa. & deserves encouragement; That if he had satt tamely down under this first insult we should not have failed of receiving many more of a higher degree, and that our showing our resentment upon this occasion will have a good influence upon all the Metto people and Junkaneers for the future; That least the matter should be represented to our Prejudice to ye. Nabob, he has taken Care to transmitt an exact account of it to our Vacqueel at Arcot, & for the security of the Garrison has giv'n orders to the Officers to be upon a very strict guard for fear of surprize.

The Presidt. represents that he thinks the Peon deserving of a reward as a trusty servt. That the Presidt. has taken care to advise the Nabob.

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The Board entirely approves of the Presidts. conduct.

The Board having heard all the particulars of this affair related by the President entirely approv'd his conduct therein.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 22D.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON. J. EMMERSON. JNO. TURTON.

Expt. Warehousekeeprs. Accot. for last month read, ballce. due to him Pags. 76 : 1 : 23 Ordd. to be pd.

Nath. Elwick Expt. Warehousekeepr. his Accot. for last month read, ballance due to him Pags. 76 : 1 : 23 wch. is ORDER'D to be paid him.

Warehousekeepr. advanc'd Pags. 1000 — to pay ye. Painters and Dyers 500 each.

ORDER'D that five hundred Pags. be advanced the Expt. Warehousekr. to pay the Painters & five hundred Pags. to pay the Dyers.

Impt. Warehousekeeprs. Accot for last month read, ballce. due from him Pags. 25824 : 18 : 45 & ps. in Pags. 10000.

Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekeepr. his Accot. for last month read, ballance due from him Pags. 25824 : 18 : 45 whereof he now pays in Pags. ten thousand.

Mint Accot. for last month read ballce. due fro: him Pags. 43 : 13 : 30 & Rups. 336 : 14.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster his Accot. for last month read ballance due from him Pags. 43 : 13 : 30, and rups. 336 : 14 the former he now pays into Cash, and the latter delivers the Impt. Warehousekr.

Storekeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due fro: him Pags. 1523 : 4 : 50.

Richard Benyon Storekeepr. his Account for last month read, Ballance due from him Pags. 1523 : 4 : 50.

Renters of the Paddy feilds ps. in Pags. 710 in full for one years rent.

Suncah Ramah &ct. Renters of the Paddy feilds pay into Cash Pags. Seven hundred and Ten in full for one years rent of that farm ending the 16th. Janry. last.

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ORDER'D that the Expt. Warehousekr. do prepare the lists for Investment at this place, Fort St. David & Vizagapatam against next Consultation, proportionate to that made in June last.

Expt. Warehousekeepr. to produce the list of Investmts. agst. next [Cons.]

Thos. Cooke Paymr. his Account for last month read Vizt.

Paymrs. Acoct. for last mo. read.

Charges Garrison	Pags.	1942	12	60
Charges Generall		755	30	70
Charges Cattle		167	34	30
Repairs of Fortifications		100	15	25
Dieu Island		22	—	—
Charges Dyet		480	21	20
Diet & Stores laid in		632	8	74
Inward Fort		104	24	20
New Warehouse		283	17	45
Charles's Point		104	7	30
Inclosure on ye. Island		38	3	60
Charges Extraordinary		155	4	20
Vizagapatam Factory		22	9	—
	Pags.	4818	9	54

ballance due to him Pags. 1818 : 9 : 54 wch. is order'd to be paid him.

ballce. due to him Pags. 1818 : 9 : 54. ordd to be pd.

The extraordinary Expence of this month being Examin'd into is found to arise from the followg. articles Vizt.

CHARGES GENERALL for Coats & Caps for the Governrs. boatmen	Pags.	23	—	—				
two bathing tubs for the Fort &ce.		12	—	—				
black stones for sundials ...		5	—	—				
mending & airing the great Tent		15	11	20				
Country wood for stakes for do.		15	4	60	Pags.	70	16	—
REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATIONS for workmen and materials for the Horse stable						21	4	20
DIEU ISLAND paid the Gunner and his Mate						22	—	—
INWARD FORT for Iron Stones & workmen						104	24	20
NEW WAREHOUSE paid for workmen & materials ...						283	17	45
CHARLES'S POINT for do.						104	7	30
INCLOSURE ON THE ISLAND Do.						38	3	60
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY for sundry Petty presents made Tyre Cawn & Ducknaroy, Charges of Govr. Collet &cts. Journey to the new Petta, feasting the soldiers & dyetting the Prisonrs.						155	4	20
VIZAGAPATAM FACTORY paid the bricklayrs. wives ½ pay for 3 mo. endg. 15th. Janry. last						22	9	—
					Pags.	821	14	35

Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton, who dissented from the Contract made the 12th. instant, now deliver in another Paper of objections, wch. before it was read, they said related but to one article only in the said Consultation Vizt. that, wherein it is expressed and some of them (meaning Messrs. Elwick &ct.) urged that the bales remaining to be brought in upon the last years Contracts would be sufficient for the dispatch of all the shipping of the ensuing year, The President together wth. the persons who voted in favour of the Contract acquainted the others that they heard some of them say words to that Effect, but that however since they did seem to dislike the part of the Consultation, when it was ready they would Agree to enter it, thô they sign'd it without signifying their dissent in writing, provided no objection to any other article should be found to be tack'd to it, because no other was started at the signing the said Consultation; The said paper being read, it appear'd

Second Paper of objections deliver'd in by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson and Turton wch. is said to relate but to one Article.

[said] Paper being read [and found] there were two [objec-]tions.

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that there were two objections one, as aforemention'd and another to that part of it, wherein the 2/3ds. of the last list for Investment is proved to have been agreed to be provided at this time by the Consultation of the 22d. of June last to wch. Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, Emmerson & Turton, have set their hands.

Upon [w]hich a debate arrose whither a papr. deliver'd in by way of objections [after] a Cons. was sign'd wth.out some mention being made in the transactions of [yt.] Cons. the Secry. Ordd. to examine the Comps. Orders & report it the next Cons.

A Debate arising thereupon, It was after some expostulation determin'd that the aforesaid paper should be entred, if the Honble. Comps. orders upon examination should be found to authorize, warrant, or allow the entry of a paper of objections after a Consultation, unless all those objections were actually made by words or in writing when the Consultation was held, and the Secry. is Order'd to make that examination, & report it to the Board the next Consultation.

The importunity of the Pattans for an abatemt. of the Customs on their Goods from the Bay.

The Sea Customr. order'd to make them as easier as possible.

The President with the Sea Customr. represent to the Board the importunity with wch. they have both been lately pressed by the Patans here for an abatement in the Customs of their Imported goods from the Bay, wch. are considerable, and the Sea Customr. adds that in pursuance of a former permission to lighten them, he has done wt. he could to satisfy them, but it being of dangerous consequence to lower the Honble. Comps. Customs, he is order'd to make them as easy as possible in the rating their Goods.

Genll. Letter from Bombay dated the 23d. Decr. also one from the Depty. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David datd. the 16th. inst.

Genll. Lettr. from the Presidt. and Council of Bombay datd. 23d. Decr. last read also one from the D. Govr. & C. of Fort St. David dated the 16th. instant advising that they have put on board the Dawsonne 650 bales, and that they have remaining no more than 1825 bas. upon all their Contracts, and but 147 of that number to be brought in, which is 292 bales short of the number calculated by Messrs. Elwick &ct. in their paper of objections entred after our Cons. of the 12th. & wch. they say was the nearest Computation.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Jn : Turton.

22d. Brigantine Fortune Capt. Allen Watts arrd. from Malacca.

— Brigantine St. John Cojee Cuteheck Noquedah arrd. from Pegu.

24th. Ship Metchlepatam (belonging to the Honble. Company) Capt. Joseph Badman arrd. from Bengall by whom recd. a Genll. Letter from the President & Council there dated the 12th. ulto.

26th. Recd. a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 24th. Instant.

28th. Recd. a Generall Letter from the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 10th. Instant.

29th. Sloop Dragon belonging to Capt. Willeboorts arrd. from ye. Bay.

— Sloop Bellwit Monsr. Severn Master arrd. from Ditto.

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At a Consultation

Present

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Governr.
Nathaniel Elwick. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Richd. Benyon. J. Emmerson. Jno. Turton.

Monday the 29th.

Genll. Lettrs. read Vizt.

General Letters read Vizt.

From the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam datd. the 10th. instant inclosing their Cash accots. to the end of January, their Diarys, Consultation and Paymts. Accots. to the end of Decemr. and advising the death of Doctor Strachan, and their having no Vessel there to load ye. H. Comps. bales upon.

From Vizagapat: datd. ye. 10th. Instt.

From the Deputy Govr. & Council of Fort St. David the 24th. instant inclosing Duplicate of their Letter to the Honble. Court of Directors ℘ ship Dawsonne, Copy of her Invo. 2d. bill of lading wth. copy's of several other papers sent by her, and advising that she sailed the 20th. Instant for Great Brittain.

From the Depty. Govr. & Council of Ft. St. David datd. the 24th. Instant.

From the President and Council of Bengall ℘ ship Metchlep. dated the 12th. ulto. inclosg. Invo. and bill of loading for sundry stores laden on her, wch. the Warehousekr. is order'd to send for ashore.

From the Presidt. & Council of Bengall datd. the 12th. Ulto.

Agreed that the Metchlepatam be dispatch'd to Fort St. David for a loading of bales so soon as she is unloaded.

That the Metchlapat. be dispatch'd to Ft. St. David for bales.

Richard Horden Sea Customr. his Accot. for last month read Vizt.

Sea Customrs. Accot. for last month read.

	Pags.	fas.	Ca.
Custom on goods imported & Exported ys. mo.	1564	30	20
Custom on grain	965	31	32
Anchorage	36	—	—
Pags.	2566	25	52

ballance due from him Pagodas Two thousand Five hundred and thirty five, two fanams, and Fifty two Cash.

ballce. due from him Pags. 2535 : 2 : 52.

Randall Fowke Land Customr. his Accot. for last month being read the 8th. instant he now pays in the ballance thereof being Pagodas Three hundred & two 31 fas. & 61 Cash.

Land Customrs. Accot. read and ps. in the ballce. of that Accot. being Pags. 302 : 31 : 61.

Poncala Kistna Farmer of the Measuring duty pays in Pagods. 136 : 24 for 2 mo. rent of that farm ending the 20th. instant.

Farmr. of the Measuring duty ps. in Pags. 136. 24 for 2 months rent.

Mr. Nathaniel Elwick Expt. Warehousekr. delivers in the lists of Goods to be provided at this place, Fort St. David and Vizagapatm. the former whereof were interchangeably sign'd by us, & both our setts of Merchants, and they are all enter'd after this Consultation.

Expt. Warehouskeepr. delivers in a List of Goods for Investmt. interchangeably sign'd by us and both our setts of Merchts.

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Mr. Thos. Cook's demand [for] Pags. 43 on ye. Estate of Gunr. Irving's Estate decd. [at] the West Coast.

Mr. Thomas Cooke delivers in a demand for 43 Pags. upon the Estate of Gunnr. Jno. Irving decd. at the West Coast, and there having 35 Dollrs. pd. into the West Coast Cash at Batavia for a slave of the [late] Irvings sold there, that sum is ORDER'D to be paid Mr. Cooke in part of the said debt to him.

The Secry. reports that he has examin'd the Books of Ordrs. but can't find any wch. will warrt. the entry of such objections.

The Secry. acquaints the Board that pursuant to order of the last Consultation he has Examin'd the Book of orders, but that he cannot find any one that will warrant the entry of a paper of objections after a Consultation unless such objections were actually made in words or in writing when that Consultation was held.

It being at length considd. it was agreed that the Papers should be enter'd after Cons. thô not authoriz'd by the Comps. Orders.

The 2d. paper of Objections to the Contract made the 12th. Instant was thereupon again consider'd and it was at length AGREED that it should be entred after this Consultation, although by the Honble. Comps. orders it may be rejected, but it is also AGREED to represent the subject of this dispute to our Honble. Masters in our next Generall Letter, and to desire their particular orders concerning the nature of such dissentions for the future and their aftermaths, for we cannot be induced to believe they will ever approve them, because if they do the Consequence must unavoidably be the frequent interruption of the currency of their affairs by needless Controversie & endless disputation.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

A CONTRACT made this 12th. day of February 1719/20 between the Honble. the President and Council of Fort St. George for Affairs of the Honble. United East India Company on the one part, & Suncah Ramah &ct. Joint Stock Merchants on the other part.

Suncah Ramah &ct. Joint Stock Merchants do hereby Covenant and agree to bring in and deliver one thousand bales of the following Goods by the end of September next for wch. Goods the Honble. President and Council are to allow them the followg. Prizes.

	Pieces.	Bales.		Pags. fa.
LONGCLOTH ORDINARY	16500	550	at Pags. 31 18 —	℔ Cor. 25987 18 —
DITTO MIDLING	1080	36	38 — —	2052 — —
DITTO MIDLING BLUE	1620	54	38 — —	3078 — —
DITTO FINE	800	20	60 — —	2400 — —
SALAMPORES ORDINARY	21400	267½	14 18 —	15515 — —
DITTO MIDLING	2160	27	17 18 —	1890 — —
DITTO FINE	2500	25	29 — —	3625 — —
MOREES FINE	1280	8	33 — —	2112 — —
DITTO ORDINARY	2000	12½	19 — —	1900 — —
	Bales.	1000		Pags. 58559 18 —

No mony to be advanc'd till the Goods are in their Godowns, and ready to be measured out to the Washers.

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In case of Non Complyance by the Merchants an abatement of Twenty ⅌ Cent is to be made upon the whole Contract, unless good proof is made out of Impediments from the Country Government.

Witness
JOSHUA DRAPER,
Secry.

SUNCAH VINCATACHELUM.
సుంక్కు రామి శెట్టి. [*sic*].
NAIRO BALL CHUTTY.
నాయర బాలి శెట్టి.

A CONTRACT made this 12th. day of February 1719/20 between the Honble. the President and Council of Fort St. George for affairs of ye. Honble. United East India Company on the one part and Mutta Vincaty Chittee &ct. Joint Stock Merchants on the other part.

Mutta Vincaty Chitty &ct. Joint Stock Merchants do hereby covenant and agree to bring in and deliver One thousand bales of the following Goods by the end of September next, for wch. Goods the Honble. President and Council are to allow them the following Prizes.

	Pieces.	Bas.		Pags. fas. cash.		Pags. fas. cash.
LONGCLOTH ORDINARY	16500	550	at	31 18 —	⅌ Cor.	25987 18 —
DITTO MIDLING	1080	36		38 — —		2052 — —
DITTO MIDLING BLUE	1620	54		38 — —		3078 — —
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SALEMPORES ORDINRY.	21400	267½		14 18 —		15515 — —
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முத்து வெங்கட்டன்.
MUTTA VINCATTY CHITTY.
தஞ்சா செட்டி.
TANJEE CHITTY.
தம்பு செட்டி.
TOMBOO CHITTY.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CT. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.

You may please to remember that we desir'd the liberty of Excepting against some parts of the Consultation of the 12th. instant as drawn up & read before us the 16th. particularly that paragraph, wherein some of us are charged to have urged, that the number of bales remaining upon the old Contracts, would be sufficient lading for the expected Tonnage of the ensuing year. We Presume it will be allowed that hardly any man can deliver himself in discourse with that exactness of Expression which he may do in writing, though as to this point we think ourselves obliged to declare to yor. Honr. &ct. jointly and Separately in each others behalf, that we do not

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Remember any of us to have Expressed ourselves so in talking upon the subject of the Investment, as we could thereby be suppos'd to mean as aforesaid, and in further proof that it neither was, or could be our Sentiment or intention, we appeal to the reasons given in for our opinion, touching y^e^. Contract, wherein we propose providing 2500 bales upon the new List, that may be Receiv'd from England by May, to add to those upon the former Agreements, and therefore we hope it will not be imputed to us, that we should either be so weak, as designedly to contradict ourselves, in giving our opinions at the Board in discourse, and in putting our same thoughts together in writing soon after; or so dishonest as to say one thing and mean another.

Your Hon^r^. &c^t^. are pleas'd to suppose that our agreeing to the Contract of June last, as part of a large new List in order to lighten the business of this present year, seem'd to imply a consequential intention and tacit consent to compleating the said List now. We must desire to be excused if we think otherwise, because as we could not tell last June what Goods our occasions might require now, so we could not conceive ourselves by then Contracting for what we had occasionally obliged to consent to an after Contract, for a Quantity of Goods we might not want, which we take to be our present Case; and therefore as our best reason leads us to differ in opinion from your Hon^r^. &c^t^. We hope we shall not be esteemed possitive or obstinate, for we must repeat our former declaration, That we are not [moved by any] spirit of Opposition or Contradiction but by sincerity of intention towards the Interest of our Honble. Masters according to the best of our Ability's. We are.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.
Yo^r^. Most Hum^ble^. Serv^ts^.

Fort S^t^. Geo^e^.
Febry. 22^d^. 1719/20.

Nath: Elwick.
Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.
John Turton.

A List of Goods to be provided at Fort S^t^. David—

Longcloth ordinary ...	39000 pieces.	1300 bales.
Ditto midling ...	3300	110
Ditto Fine ...	5600	140
Salempores ordinary ...	52000	650
Ditto Worriapollam Ordinary ...	12000	150
Ditto midling ...	4000	50
	Ba^s^.	2400

A List of Goods to be provided at Vizagapatam—

Longcloth ordinary ...	3000 pieces.	100 bales.
Ditto Fine ...	1000	25
Salempores ord^ry^. ...	4000	50
Ditto Fine ...	1200	12
	Ba^s^.	187

March 1st. Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Letter from M^r^. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated the 27th. Janry.

— Brigantine Phœnix Capt^t^. Willeboorts arriv'd from Bengall.

3^d^. Brigantine Young Darby belonging to the Honble. Company Capt. Charles Bringhurst Comm^r^. arriv'd from Fort S^t^. David by whom rec^d^. a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govern^r^. and Council there dated the 26th. Ult^o^.

— Ship Allemadutt Meerja Noquedah sailed for Cottagom.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. PRESIDENT & GOV^R.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICH^D. BENYON. JN^O. EMMERSON. JN^O. TURTON.

[MARCH] THURSDAY THE 3^D.

Fra^s. Hastings Esqr. President his Acco^t. of the Honble. Comp^s. Cash for last month read ballance remaining Pag^s. 88090 : 24 : 68.

The Cashiers Acco^t. for last month read ball^ce. rem^g. Pag^s. 88090 : 24 : 68.

The Accomptants Journal Parcels for January read.

Journ^ll. Parc^lls. for Jan^ry. read.

M^r. Richard Horden Imp^t. W. h. k^r. pays into Cash Pag^s. Fifteen thousand in part of his last m^o. ballance.

Imp^t. Warehousekeep^r. p^s. into Cash Pag^s. 15000 in p^t. of last months ball^ce.

Randall Fowke Land Custom^r. his Acco^t. for last month read Viz^t.

Land Custom^rs. Acco^t. for last month read.

Choultry Customs	Pag^s.	240	32	57
Ruby Brokerage		9	14	14
Registring Slaves		2	16	—
	Pag^s.	252	26	71

ballance due from him Pag^s. 233 : 25 : 71.

ball^ce. due fro him Pag^s. 233 :25 : 71.

Gen^ll. Lett^r. from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^t. David dat^d. 26th. ultimo ℘ Young Darby read inclosing Inv^o. and bill of load^g. for 200 bales loaden on her amot^s. to Pag^s. 9883 : 6 : 23. wch. the Warehousekeep^r. is ORDER'D to send for ashore that she may be return'd thither for another loading of bales.

Gen^ll. Letter fro: the Depty. Govr. and Council of F^t. S^t. David dat^d. the 26th. Ult^o. ℘ Young Darby her bales Order'd to be sent for ashore.

Gen^ll. Letter from M^r. H. Holcombe at Metchlepatam dated y^e. 27th. January read advising his want of a supply of Cash. AGREED that Two hundred Pag^s. be remitted him.

Gen^ll. Letter fro : Metchlepatam dat^d. the 27th. Jan^ry.

ORDER'D That Three thousand Pagodas be advanc'd the Paym^r. to defray Charges Garrison.

Paym^r. advanc'd Pag^s. 3000 to defray Charges Garrison.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH^D. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 7TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. J. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

Mint Accot. for last Month read ballce. remg. Pags. 41 : 30 : 30 & Rups. 31 : 8.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint master his Acct. for last mo. read ballance remaining Pags. 41 : 30 : 30 and Rups. 31 : 8. the former he now pays into Cash, and the latter delivers the Import Warehousekr.

The Mayor acquaints the Board that he sent the Regr: to seal up the door of Edwd. Baugust decd. havg. died intested.

The Worspll. the Mayor acquaints the Board that Mr. Edward Baugus a freeman of this place dying the 5th. inst. without leaving any visible power of administration, he sent the Register to seal up the house, after the Paymr. had buried him, that no Embezlement might be made, and there being An Attachment laid up on his Estate already

Order'd the Mayors Court take care of his Effects.

ORDER'D that the Mayrs. Court take care of his Effects, unless upon Examination they shall find a Will that may direct otherwise.

Messrs. Cooke, Fowke & the Secry. rept. that sevll. of Mr. Jenkinsons Effects wch. they were order'd to take care of are found to be perishable Ordd. they are all forthwth. sold. & that those that belong to other People be deliver'd them if demanded upon publick notice.

Messrs. Thos. Cooke, R. Fowke & the Secry. who were appointd. to take care of Mr. Jenkinsons concerns report, that having lately occasion to shift some of his effects in the Godowns, they found severall of them in a very perishing condition, particularly some barrels of Tar, and a pipe of Madeira very leaky, for wch. no demand has been yet deliver'd them.

ORDER'D that all his Effects be forthwith sold at outcry, and that those wch. belong to other people be deliver'd out in specie, provided upon publick notice given, they demand the same within one month from the date hereof, otherwise they are ORDER'D to be sold together wth. the remr. of Mr. Jenkinsons effects, wch. the Board do now think proper to have all disposed of, he being by the Doctors report in a desperate condition.

Farmr. of the Arrack & Wine Lycence ps. into Cash Pags. 333 : 12: for last months rent of that Farm.

Lewis Mellicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine License pays into Cash Pags. three hundred thirty three and twelve fanams for last months rent of that Farm.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND. FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

8TH. Ship Allemadutt Meerjapatam Noquedah to Cattacum.

12TH. Sloop Blavet Saverin Master to Metchlapatam.

— Ship Metchlapatam Capt. Joseph Badman to Ft. St. David.

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Brigantine Sangarago Coja Jacob John Owner from Bengall. [12TH.]
Ship Trevatore Capt. Corvore from Manilha. 13TH.
Sarah Galley Capt. John Walsh from Bengall. —
Brigantine Young Derby Capt. Charles Bringhurst to Ft. St. David. 14TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 14TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. J. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

Genll. Letter from the President and Council of Fort Willm. datd. the 16th. & 17th. ultº. read, desiring 100 Tons of Reddwood may be sent them upon the next Europe ships that we may dispatch thither, also 18 large elbow Chairs, and 6 dozen of small chairs, all wch. it is AGREED to send them as soon as possible.

Genll. Letter from the Presidt. and Council of Ft. William datd. the 16th. & 17th. Ultº. read.

The President acquaints the board that he has recd. very friendly Lettrs. from the Nabob and Ducknaroy upon the subject of the Metto Hovildar's being unfortunately kill'd by our Peons, and that apprehending no disturbance will ensue, he has order'd in the guards wch. he had Join'd to those at Egmore, and the Choultrys, to put a stop to the expence occasiond thereby.

The Presidt. acquaints the board he has rec'd very friendly letters from the Nabob and Ducknaroy.

Mr. Nathanll. Elwick Expt. Warehousekr. reports, that he finds wanting of the Goods Invoic'd from Bengall by the Metchlepatam 4 Jarrs of Oyl, one being broke in ye. Mussoola coming ashore, one found empty, & the other two being us'd in filling up the rest, He also finds wanting 2 md. 28 seer. of Twine & 15 md. of Rice.

Expt. Warehouskeepr. reports he finds wants of 4 Jarrs of Oyl sent by the Metchlapatam frõ Bengll.

Mr. Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekr. reports that having deliver'd the Steward the last mº. two Pipes of Madeira for ye. use of the Genll. table they prov'd so sour as to be unfitt for drinkg. for wch. reason he is ORDER'D to sell them for what they will fetch.

Impt. Warehousekeepr. repts. that the two Pipes of Madera deliver'd the Stewd. for last mº. provd to be very sour.

The Accomptant delivers in the Fort St. David and both our Merchants Accounts, the ballances whereof being as follow, They are ORDER'D to be paid out of Cash Vizt.

Ballance of the Fort St. David New Merchants Accounts	Pags.	10369	18	42
Ballance of Suncah Ramah &ct. Rt. Hand Merchants Accounts		12522	13	30
Ballance of Mutta Marr Chitty &ct. Left hand Merchants Accounts		19676	16	14
	Pags.	42568	12	6

The Accompt. delivers in the Ft. St. Davids Merchts. Accots. the ballces. whereof are Pags. 42568 : 12 : 6. Order'd to be paid.

In all Pags. Forty two thousand Five hundred sixty eight twelve fanams & Six Cash.

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Rentll. Genll. and Scavingr: pays in acco^t^. Quit rent Pags. 155.

Mr. John Emmerson Rentall Generall and Scavinger pays into Cash Accot. Quit rent Vizt.

for 6 mo. rent of the Comps. old Garden endg. the 29th ulto.	Pags.	75 — —
for 3 mo. butteca Rent and Shroff duty endg. Do. tempore		80 — —
	Pags.	155 — —

FRA: HASTINGS.
N: ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND. FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN: TURTON.

15TH. Ship Sallaman Capt. Roger Lay from Mallacca.
— Ship Careem Salamutt Aji Salam Noquedah from Pegu.
16TH. Ship Mary Ann Galley Capt. Marcus Crompton from Bengall.
— Sloop Endeavours, ditto from ditto.
— Ship Tripalore, Trevengarum Owner from Pegu.
17TH. Ship Venkataletchomah Kittee Timmapa from Ditto.
— Ship Joseph Capt. John Piel from Pegu.
— Ship Pembrooke Capt. Jacob Bernada, from Bengall.
— Sloop Kent Gomiah Serang from Fort St. David.
20TH. Brigantine Jaletchmiah Trevengarum Owner from Pegu.
— Sloop Ramah Henderick Johnson Master from Ft. St. David.
— Sloop Kent Gomiah Serang from Vizagapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 21ST.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. J. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

Expt. Warehouskeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due frō. him Pags. 538 : 27 : 28.

Nathaniel Elwick Expt. Warehousekr. his Accot. for last mo. read ballance due from him Pags. 538 : 27 : 28.

Impt. Warehouskeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due frō. him Pags. 15994 : 14 : 12. whereof he pd. in Pags. 15000.

Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekeepr. his Accot. for last mo. read ballance due from him Pags. 15994 : 14 : 12. whereof he paid in Pags. 15000 ye. 3d. instant.

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Thomas Cooke Paymaster his acco^{t}. for last month read Viz^{t}.

Paym^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for last Month read.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}.	1914	23	70
Horse Furniture		36	31	40
Charges Generall		667	22	60
Charges Extraordinary		14	3	40
Dieu Island		22	—	—
Charges Cattle		155	12	10
New Warehouse		179	23	70
Repairs of Fortifications		138	21	60
Inward Fort		47	—	50
Charles's Point		649	20	55
Charges Dyett		376	25	20
Diet and Stores laid in		426	34	18
House moveables		17	18	—
	Pag^{s}.	4646	22	13

ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 646 : 22 : 13 wch. is order'd to be p^{d}. him.

ball^{ce}. due to him Pag^{s}. 646 : 22 : 13. Order'd to be p^{d}.

The Extraordinary Expence of this month being examin'd into is found to arise from the following articles Viz^{t}.

Horse furniture for 5 sadles d^{d}. y^{e}. Groom				Pag^{s}. 36	31	40
New Warehouse for workmen & materials				179	23	70
Repairs of Fortifications Viz^{t}.						
Timber & plank used at y^{e}. Garden	Pag^{s}. 56	4	40			
workmen & materials upon sev^{ll}. incident repairs	82	17	20			
				138	21	60
Inward Fort for workmen & materials for paving ...				47	—	50
Charles's Point for workmen & materials				649	20	55
House moveables for 18 Chairs a Couch and an elbow Chair deliver'd the Steward for the use of y^{e}. Consultation room				17	18	—
				Pag^{s}. 1069	8	35

Richard Benyon Storekeep^{r}. his Acco^{t}. for last month read ball^{o}. due from him Pag^{s}. 1771 : 13 : 50.

Storekeep^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for last [m^{o}.] read ball^{ce}. due from him Pag^{s}. 1771 : 13 : 50.

John Emmerson Rentall Gen^{ll}. & Scavinger pays into Cash Pag^{s}. Five hundred in part of the Rent roll for 1719 Viz^{t}.

Rent^{ll}. Gen^{ll}. and Scaving^{r}. p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 500 in p^{t}. of the rent roll for y^{e}. year 1719.

Acco^{t}. Quit rent	Pag^{s}.	400	—	—
Acco^{t}. Scavingers duty		100	—	—
	Pag^{s}.	500	—	—

The Paym^{r}. acquaints the board that the walls of the Garrison, and the Silver Mint are in a very decaying condition, by reason of the Chinam with wch. they were plaistred being worn away, so that the bricks have moulder'd away very considerably, and that therefore to preserve the walls he thinks it absolutely necessary to plaister them afresh.

The Paym^{r}. acquaints the board y^{t}. the Walls of the Garrison & Silver Mint are in a decaying condition & that its necessary to plaister them.

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Order'd it be set abo^{t}. as soon as the Point is finish'd.

ORDER'D that he do set about it, so soon as the point is finish'd and that in order thereto he do lay in a quantity of Chinam.

Maria Pois's Cowle for the Comp^{s}. Old Garden expiring the 25th. of this month, Agreed that it be renew'd to her for 5 years.

Maria Pois's Cowle for the Comp^{s}. old Garden expiring the 25th. of this month, AGREED that it be Renew'd to her for 5 years more upon the same terms as before, in regard to her poor circumstances, and that the Garden is not worth much more.

Gen^{ll}. Letter from F^{t}. S^{t}. David dat^{d}. the 16th. read.

Agreed directions be given to F^{t}. S^{t}. David to set abo^{t}. remove. Chemundulum Point and that one third of their Investm^{t}. there be given to Sadashwarow, & Its

Gen^{ll}. Letter from y^{e}. Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated 16th. Instant read inclosing their Cash Acco^{t}. for last month, A List of medicines wanting, and Messrs. Way and Launces report concerning Chemundulum Choultry's being remov'd, & situated more advantagiously for the defence of the bounds, and that for the sum of Pag^{s}. 700, whereas repairing it (as it now stands), will cost Pag^{s}. 500 wherefore its AGREED that directions be giv'n them to get it done as soon as possible; In the same Letter the Deputy Govr. and Council propose to give one third of their Investment to Sadashwarow, their present bound renter who is a very substantial man, and was formerly one of the Honble. Comp^{s}. Merchants; He promises to bring in a sett of Washers into the Bounds for the performance of his part of y^{e}. Contract which are always to be esteemed usefull Inhabitants; The President thereupon acquainted the Board, that he is of opinion, it will be for the Interest of our Honble. Masters to comply with the Dep^{ty}. Govr. & Councils proposal, and divide the Contract between Sunca Narran, Eram Rawze & Sadahwarow, because it will putt them upon endeavouring to excell each other in the quality of the Goods, and because Suncah Narran did not perform his part of the last Contract so well as the old Merchants, It is therefore

Agreed to comply wth. the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Councils proposal.

AGREED to comply wth. the Deputy Govern^{r}. and Councils proposal of admitting Sadashwarow to 1/3^{d}. of their new Contract.

That the Imp^{t}. Warehouskeep^{r}. deliver y^{e}. Stew^{d}. monthly 2 pipes of Madera Wine for y^{e}. use of the Gov^{rs}. Table.

ORDERD that the Import Warehousekeep^{r}. do deliver out two pipes of Madeira Wine monthly to the Steward for the use of the Governours table, the Europe Liquors being all expended, & the H. Comp^{a}. having prohibited our buying any more.

The Accompt^{t}. Order'd to draw out the Acco^{t}. Salarys agst. next Cons.

There being 6 m^{o}. Salary due to the Honble. Comp^{s}. Covenanted Servants of this place the 25th. instant, ORDER'D that the Accomptant do draw it out & lay it before the Board the next Consultation.

The Cowle for the Tobacco and Beetle Farm expir^{g}. the 4th. of next Month [the] Farm^{r}. was sent for and ask'd if he would advance the price, he reply'd he had been a sufferer by it these three years & hoped rather for an abatem^{t}.

The Cowle for the Tobacco and beetle farm expiring the 4th. of the nexth month, Poncala Kistna the old Renter was sent for, and ask'd if he would advance the price of it upon the next Cowle, as it was a Revenue Capable of Improvem^{t}. He reply'd he had been a sufferer by it these three years past on account of the Famine, and therefore hop'd rather for an abatement to make him amends for the loss he has already sustain'd; Whereupon he was dismiss'd, and it was at length

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AGREED that, as our H. Masters have always approv'd our disposal of their farms publickly, the Sec^ry^. should affix a note at the Sea Gate for all persons who are desirous of renting the Beetle & Tobacco Farm to apply themselves to the Govern^r^. in order to have their Proposals laid before the Board by him on Monday next. It was at length Agreed the Secry. should affix a note at the Sea Gate for the letting the ffarm to the fairest bider.

There having been an order of Cons. made the 26th. of Novr. last to exempt all houses und^r^. 50 pag^s^. value from being Registerd (by virtue of a former order) till Plenty should return, It is AGREED to take off that Exemption, the Famine being now gone off. There being an Order that all houses Under 50 Pags. value should not be Register'd to plenty return'd. Agreed to take it off the Famine being at an end.

M^r^. R. Horden Imp^t^. Warehousek^r^. acquaints the Board that he sent to Vizagapatam upon the Sloop Kent some velvets &c^t^. for Presents as ℔ his Acco^t^. will appear, not being able to comply with their List of demands (as to y^e^. sorts) exactly for want of those goods in the Warehouse. The Impt. Warehouse-keepr. acquaints the board that he has sent Velvets to Vizagapatam.

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Dispatch'd ℔ Tappies a Gen^ll^. Letter to the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^t^. David of this days date. 22D.

Sloop Ramah arr^d^. from D^o^. —

Ship Golden Lyon belonging to the King of Denmark Capt. Brooksman Comm^r^. arr^d^. from Tranquebar. —

Sloop Ramah return'd to Fort S^t^. David. 25TH.

Ship London Capt. Wyberg Comm^r^. arr^d^. from Surat. 28TH.

Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Letter from M^r^. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlapatam dat^d^. the 25th. ffebry. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 28TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOVERN^R^.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICH^D^. BENYON. JN^O^. EMMERSON. JN^O^. TURTON.

Generall Letter from M^r^. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlapatam dat^d^. 25th. ffeb^ry^. read, inclosing his Acco^ts^. for the month of January. Genll. Letter frõ : Metchlapatm. datd. the 25th. ffebry. read.

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F^{t}. S^{t}. David Cash Acco^{t}. report^{d}. to be right Accompt Salary deliver'd in Order'd to be p^{d}. and enter'd after this Cons.

The Accomptant reports the Fort S^{t}. David Cash Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. to be right, and delivers an acco^{t}. of the sallary due to the Honble. Comp^{s}. covenanted Servants of this place for the last 6 Months, wch. amounting to Pag^{s}. one thousand four hundred & seven, twelve fan^{s}. & fifty three Cash is ORDER'D to be paid & Entred after this Consultation.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints the Board that he has had no one to bid for the Beetle and Tobacoo ffarm but the Old renter.

He was called in but refus'd to give more than the form^{r}. rent for he tho^{t}. to have had an abatem^{t}.

He requests some small indulgence.

The Sec^{ry}. having affix'd a note at the Sea Gate pursuant to order of last Consultation to give notice that the Beetle & Tobacco Farm would expire the 4th. of next m^{o}. & that all persons who were desirous of Renting y^{e}. same should apply themselves to the Govr. in order to have their proposals consider'd in Council this day, The President acquaints the Board that nobody has been with him upon that occasion, but the old Renter who being call'd in to treat about it, he absolutely refus'd to make any advance upon the former rent of 7000 Pag^{s}. ℘ annum, urging at the same time his great sufferings for these three years past by the famine, which considerably decreased as well as impoverish'd the Inhabitants, and consequently hinder'd the usuall vent of beetle & Tobacco; he added that he expected rather an abatement as Customary in case of such misfortunes, than an advance upon the rent, but that however since we were determin'd not to lower it, he desir'd one small inconvenience which he often met wth. might be remedy'd; That is whereas he usually sold 400 leaves in each bundle for a fanam both of the fine Course sort, the buy^{rs}. would not take them promiscuously, but pick'd the better sort out, insomuch that what were rejected would not yeild any thing by reason of their being spoil'd wth. handling he desir'd that the finer sort of leaves might be sold at the rate of 300 ℘ one fanam, & the ordinary sort at 500 and the S^{t}. Thomas leaves as usuall, there being no proffit upon them all wch. being consider'd by the board

Twas Agreed to comply wth. his request.

It was AGREED to comply wth. his request in that there being no very material difference between the rates in the former Cowle and those he now proposes, the richer sort of people being only affected by it, which is made amends for by the proportionable advantage allow'd the Poor.

Order'd the Secr^{y}. draw out a Cowle for the Beetle and Tobacco ffarmers.

ORDER'D therefore that the Sec^{ry}. prepare a Cowle for Poncala Kistna against next Consultation for the beetle & Tobacco farm for five years more at the yearly rent of Seven thousand Pagodas, to be drawn in the same form with the last, inserting that additionall Clause aforemention'd.

Exp^{t}. Warehousekeep^{r}. rep^{ts}. that y^{e}. Washers complain their rice not being deliver'd out @ 8 Mercaul ℘ Pagoda, Agreed they have it for the future @ 11 [*sic*.]

The Exp^{t}. Warehousek^{r}. reports that the Washers complain of having their Rice deliver'd them at 8 Mercall ℘ Pagoda, whereas they can buy as good at 11 mercall, It is therefore AGREED to let them have it at Ten mercall for the future.

Sea Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for last Month read, ball^{ce}. due from him Pag^{s}. 6311 : 34 : 72. whereof he p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 1000.

Rich^{d}. Horden Sea Custom^{r}. his Acco^{t}. for last month read Viz^{t}.

Custom on goods import^{d} & exp^{td}. y^{s}. m^{o}.	Pag^{s}.	2392	34	48
D^{o}. on Grain		1234	2	52
Anchorage		31	18	—
	Pag^{s}.	3708	19	20

ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 6311 : 34 : 72 whereof he pays in Pagod^{s}. One thousand.

Land Custom^{r}. p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 233 : 25 : 71 in full of his last months ball^{ce}.

Randall Fowke Land Custom^{r}. pays in Pag^{s}. two hundred thirty three 25 fa^{s}. & 71 Cash in full of his last m^{o}. ballance.

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The Sec[ry]. produced a Cowle for Maria Pois's renting y[e]. Comp[s]. old Garden 5 years longer upon the same terms as before pursuant to order of last Consultation, w[ch]. was sign'd & deliver'd.

The Secry. produces a Cowle for the Comps. old Gardens for 5 years wch. was sign'd and deliver'd.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays in Pag[s]. 583 : 12. for last months rent of that form.

Tobacco Farmr. ps. in Pags. 583 : 13. [*sic*] for last Months rent of that ffarm.

Anconah Town broker pays in Pag[s]. Four hundred for 6 m[o]. rent of that Farm ending the 31st. Dec[r]. last.

Town broker ps. in Pags. 400 for 6 months rent of that Farm.

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Accor. Sallary due to ye. Honble. Comps. Covenanted Servts. from ye. 25th. of Septr. to ye. 25th. of March 1719/20 is 6 months Vizt.

	Mo.	days.	£		£	S	D	£	S	D	Pags.	fans.	Cash.
The Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr. Vizt. Depty. Govr. of Fort St. David & 2d. of Fort St. Geor. from September ye. 25 to Janry. the 18th. ...	3	23	@ 100	ꝑ ann. ...	31	7	9						
Do. Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. Geor. from Janry. 18 to March ye. 25th. ...	2		,, 200	,, ,, ...	37	4	5						
Do. Gratuity ...			100	...	18	12	3						
								87	4	5	193	29	53
The Worspl. Nathll. Ellwick Vizt. 3d. in Council & Warehousekr. to Novr. 9th. ...	1	14	,, 70	,, ,, ...	8	11	1						
2d. in Do. & Accomptt. from Novr. 9 to March 25th. ...	4	16	,, 100	,, ,, ...	37	15	6						
								46	6	7	102	34	27
Mr. Horden 4th. in Council & Sea Customr. from Septr. 25th. to Novr. 9th. ...	1	14	,, 50	,, ,, ...	6	2	3						
Do. 3d. in Do. Sea Customr. & Impt. Warehousekr. from Novr. 9 to March ye. 25th. ...	4	16	,, 70	,, ,, ...	26	18	10						
								32	11	1 [sic]	72	12	27
Mr. Thos. Cooke paymr. & 5th. in Council from Septr. 25 to Novr. 9th. ...	1	14	,, 40	,, ,, ...	4	17	9						
Do. 4th. in Council from Novr. 9th. to March 25th. ...	4	16	,, 50	,, ,, ...	18	17	9						
								23	15	6	52	30	—
Mr. Randl. Fowke 5th. in Council & Land Customer ...	6	—	,, 40	,, ,, ...	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Richd. Benyon Storekr. ...	6	—	,, 40	,, ,, ...	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. John Emmerson Rentall Genll. ...	6	—	,, 40	,, ,, ...	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. John Turton 8th. in Council ...	6	—	,, 40	,, ,, ...	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Thos. Faucet Senr. Mercht. ...	6	—	,, 40	,, ,, ...	...			20	—	—	44	16	—
Mr. Edwd. Croke Junr. Mercht. from Septr. ye. 25th. to Janry. the 18 ...	3	23	,, 30	,, ,, ...	9	8	4						
Do. Senior Mercht. from Janry. 18 to March 25 ...	2	7	,, 40	,, ,, ...	7	8	10						
								16	17	2	37	16	53
Mr. Thos. Bulkley Junr. Mercht. ...	6	—	,, 30	,, ,, ...	...			15	—	—	33	12	—
Mr. Augustus Burton Do. ...	6	—	,, 30	,, ,, ...	...			15	—	—	33	12	—
Mr. William Harris Do. ...	6	—	,, 30	,, ,, ...	...			15	—	—	33	12	—
Mr. Thos. Wilford Do. from Janry. 25th. to March ye. 25th. ...	2	—	,, 30	,, ,, ...	...			5	—	—	11	4	—
Mr. James Hubbard do. from Novr. ye. 25th. ...	4	—	,, 30	,, ,, ...	...			10	—	—	22	8	—
Mr. George Tullie Factor ...	6	—	,, 15	,, ,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. George Drake Do. ...	6	—	,, 15	,, ,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
Mr. Joshua Draper Do. ...	6	—	,, 15	,, ,, ...	7	10	—						
Do. Gratuity as Secry. ...	—	—	,, 10	,, ,, ...	5	—	—						
								12	10	—	27	28	—

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is 6 months Viz[t].—*cont.*

	Mo.	days.		£			£	S	D	£	S	D	Pag[s].	fan[s].	Cash.
M[r]. Geo[r]. Toriano Factor	6	—	@	15	⅌	ann. ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. Tho[s]. Jenkinson D[o].	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. Henry Davy Writer	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. John Lauder D[o].	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Thomas Pennyman	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Sands Davis	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. John Fullagar	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Tho[s]. Dunster	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Charles Fleetwood	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Paul Foxley	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	..			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Arthur Crundall	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. John Russon	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Jeshua Bayes	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Rich[d]. Spence to y[e]. 28th. of Dec[r].	3	3	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			1	5	10	2	31	27
M[r]. Mathew Empson	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Abraham Wessell	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Nicholas Morse	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Rich[d]. English	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Fra[s]. Everest Factor from 25th. Sept[r]. to y[e]. 3[d]. of Nov[r].	1	18	,,	15	,,	,, ...	1	11	8						
D[o]. Jun[r]. Merch[t]. from 3[d]. of Nov[r]. to y[e]. 2[d]. Jan[ry]. ...	1	29	,,	30	,,	,, ...	4	18	4						
										6	10	—	14	16	—
The Rev[d]. M[r]. Charles Long Minister from Sept[r]. y[e]. 25 to Jan[ry].	3	16	,,	100	,,	,, ...	...			29	8	11	65	15	53
The Rev[d]. M[r]. Thomas Wendy Minister from Jan[ry]. y[e]. 10th. to March y[e]. 25	2	15	,,	100	,,	,, ...	...			20	16	8	46	10	53
M[r]. Catesby Oadham Essaym[r].	6	—	,,	80	,,	,, ...	...			40	—	—	88	32	—
M[r]. Tho[s]. Robson Doctor	6	—	,,	36	,,	,, ...	...			18	—	—	40	—	—
M[r]. Andrew Pitcher D[o].	6	—	,,	36	,,	,, ...	...			18	—	—	40	—	—
M[r]. Charles Davers Writer	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
Acco[r]. Salary due to the Gentlemen that came from the West Coast.															
M[r]. Step[n]. Newcome Factor	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. Peter Shelly D[o].	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. John Clark D[o]. from Nov[r]. y[e]. 25th.	4	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			5	—	—	11	4	—
M[r]. Charles Hazelwood D[o].	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. Geo[r]. Beel D[o].	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. John Acton D[o].	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			7	10	—	16	24	—
M[r]. John Blagg Writer	6	—	,,	15	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Rich[d]. Carter D[o].	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
M[r]. Claude Allen Jamineau D[o].	6	—	,,	5	,,	,, ...	...			2	10	—	5	20	—
										£ 633	6	2	1407	12	53

Errors Excepted
⅌ Nath : Elwick
Accomp[t].

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1719–20*——

30TH. Ship Jesu Maria Capt. Hanson from Porto Novo.

31ST. Ship Boneta Capt. John Harry from China.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[APRIL]. MONDAY THE 4TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICH^{D}. BENYON. J. EMMERSON. JN^{O}. TURTON.

Cashiers Acco^{t}. for last month read ball^{ce}. rem^{g}. Pag^{s}. 58515 : 22 : 17.

Fra^{s}. Hastings Esqr. President reads his Acco^{t}. of the H. Comp^{s}. Cash for last month ballance remain^{g}. Pag^{s}. 58515 : 22 : 17.

The Presid^{t}. produces a Letter rec'd from Tranquebar upon y^{e}. subject of y^{e}. declar^{g}. Warr wth. the Moors.

The President produced before the Board a Letter he rec^{d}. from y^{e}. new Danish Govr. at Tranquebar, upon the Subject of their declaring war wth. the Moors, wch. is entred in our Country Letter book rec^{d}. N°. 23.

Gen^{ll}. Letter fro : Vizagapat^{m}. dat^{d}. the 15th. Ult^{o}.

Gen^{ll}. Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated y^{e}. 15th. Ult^{o}. read inclosing their Cash acco^{t}. for February wch. is deliver'd the Accomptant.

Journ^{l}. Parc^{ls}. for Febr^{ry}. read.

Journal Parcels for February Read.

Paym^{r}. advanc'd Pag^{s}. 3000 to defray charges Garrison.

ORDER'D that three thousand Pagodas be advanc'd the Paymast^{r}. to defray Charges Garrison.

Land Customr^{s}. Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. read ball^{ce}. due fro. him Pag^{s}. 442 : 11: 71.

Randall Fowke Land Customer his Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. read Viz^{t}.

Choultry Customs	Pag^{s}.	457	11	40
Ruby brokerage		1	13	21
Registring Slaves		2	24	—
	Pag^{s}.	461	12	71 [*sic*]

ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 442 11 71

The Cowle for Beetle and Tobacco Farm produc'd.

The Sec^{y}. pursuant to order of last Cons. produces the Cowle for letting the beetle and Tobacco farm to Poncala Kistna agreable to the orders then made, wch. was sign'd & deliver'd him.

Secr^{y}. p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 114. 28. the dividend of M^{r}. Ellill's Estate Acco^{t}. M^{r}. Palmer.

Joshua Draper Sec^{ry}. pays in Pag^{s}. one hundred and fourteen twenty eight fanams being William Palmers dividend of M^{r}. Elisha Ellill dec^{d}. his Estate.

That the Old Paddy be sold off and that fresh bo^{t}. in.

The Paym^{r}. reporting that the Paddy wth. wch. the horses are fed is so very old that they won't eat it, ORDER'D that it be sold off, and new Paddy bought in its stead.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1720*—

Dutton the Gunn[rs]. Cheif mate of this Garrison being dead AGREED that David Murray, who was entertain'd as such for Dieu Island do supply his place. The Gunn[rs]. Cheif mate being dead Agreed that David Murray supply his place.

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JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

Rec[d]. a Gen[ll]. Letter from the D. Gov[r]. and Council of Fort S[t]. David dat[d]. the 2[d]. 4TH.

Rec[d]. a Gen[ll]. Letter from the Cheif & Council of Vizagāp. dat[d]. the 16[o]. Ult[o]. —

Rec[d]. a Gen[ll]. Letter from the Deputy Gov[r]. and Council of F[t]. S[t]. D. dat[d]. the 4th. —

Ship Prosperous Cap[t]. Nicholus saild for Vizagapatam. 5TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ[R]. PRESIDENT & GOVERN[R].
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICH[D]. BENYON. JN[O]. EMMERSON. JN[O]. TURTON.

THURSDAY THE 7TH.

Gen[ll]. Letter from the D. Gov[r]. & Council of Fort S[t]. David dat[d]. the 2[d]. & another dat[d]. the 4th. instant read, advising the Metchlapatam & Young Darby's arrivall, and desiring a supply of Cash, ORDER'D that Twenty thousand Pagodas be sent und[r]. charge of 40 Peons overland. Gen[ll]. Letter from F[t]. S[t]. David dat[d]. the 4th. Inst[t]. read.

The President produces a letter from M[r]. Way at Fort S[t]. David wherein he desires leave to return hither, having some important business w[ch]. requires his Presence AGREED that leave be granted him. M[r]. Way desires liberty to return from F[t]. S[t]. David Agreed y[t]. leave be granted him.

The President produces a letter w[ch]. he rec[d]. yesterday from M[r]. Thomas Jenkinson who has been some time in a state of Lunacy ; the said letter being read, is enter'd after this Consultation, & being consider'd particularly that passage wherein he asserts his perfect recovery, and capacity to manage his own affairs, The Board recollecting that it might have been wrote in a lucid interval, as had been his case before, immediately sent for Mess[rs]. Robson and Pichier the H. Comp[s]. two surgeons, who attending the Ward were in the sev[ll]. needfull Respects question'd concerning him, and after having assign'd severall Physicall Reasons for his being not yet Reinstated in a sound body & mind, they gave their finall Solution to the purpose, that he could not be yet perfectly recover'd, because obnoxious to relapse, as he had done more than once before, notwithstanding he was to all appearance *compos mentis*, It is therefore Agreed to take no further notice of this affair till the Surgeons report his perfect Recovery wth. this exception howev[r]. that the present Trustees may discourse him about his making choice of others in their room, they being willing to resign them, trust to make him easy, w[ch]. when they have done they may report his answer. The Presid[t]. produces a Letter rec[d]. from M[r]. Tho[s]. Jenkinson (as enter'd after this Cons). Its Agreed to take no further notice of this affair till the Surgeons make a report of his recovery.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1720*——

[...] The Justices of the Choultry reporting their Exam̃. of Anthony's decoying some sold[rs]. of this Garrison to desert lately w[ch]. being entred after this Consult̃. and being a full conviction of the Crime, He is order'd to have Corporal punishment inflicted upon him twice a week very severely, in order to bring him to a Confession of the rest of his Associates, & then the Board will think upon what may be fitting to do further wth. him.

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THO : COOKE.
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RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JN : TURTON.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FRA[S]. HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT & GOV[R]. OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE &C[T]. COUNCIL.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[T].

I have wrote sev[ll]. times to your Hon[r]. &c[t]. to w[ch]. have not been favour'd with any manner of reply ; I thank God I am in perfect health, and think myself the properest person to take care of my own affairs ; Please to give me a positive answer whither you'll deliver my Effects or not, for If I do not hear from you, I must be obliged to protest against your Proceedings ; I am

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[T].

FORT S[T]. GEO[R]. Yo[r]. Very hum[ble]. Serv[t].

APRIL 1720. THO[S]. JENKINSON.

A Copy of an Examination made by Thomas Cooke Esq[r]. &c[t]. Justices of the Choultry at a meeting the 5th. of April 1720.

Capt. Fullerton impeaches Anthony for seducing three Europe Soldiers to desert the Garrison, and that he had conducted them to Arcot, who being Examin'd denys that he had himself seduced them, but pretends that he has a brother, who is very like himself who perhaps may have done what thrô mistake he is accus'd of, thô he confesses that he mett the Deserters at a place calld Penmadore about a day & a halfs Journey from Madrass, from whence he accompanied them to Arcot.

Capt. Fullerton for a further confirmation of wch. he accuses him of, produced the following Witnesses Viz[t].

Susannah the wife of Thos. Gray one of the Deserters affirms that the said Anthony came to her in S[t]. Thoma and demanded of her one Pagoda by her husbands order for being his guide to Arcot, and upon her refusing to pay it, he gott her imprison'd for 2 days, when she paid him 13 fan[s]. wch. was all the mony she had.

Ensign Eckman declares that the said Anthony confess'd to him that he had carried away Thos. Gray, and that now he was a prisoner he would make no further discovery, thô he was never so severely punish'd.

Jno. Trustee & Jno. Vowell Centinells declare that they had proposed to the said Anthony to desert & desir'd him to assist them, who did promise to carry them off, if they could carry wth. them their Arms and a small matter of mony, then he would provide them a house in the day time, & that they should travell in y[e]. Night, telling them he had Carried away 3 Englishmen before, after they had made this Agreem[t]. wth. him, they Secur'd him, & bro[t]. him before y[e]. Cap[t].

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All the Witnesses offering to take their oaths to the truth of what they asserted, AGREED that this Examination be reported to the Govr. and Council, and the Prisoner remanded into Custody of the Marshall.

Vera Copia.
JOHN RUSSON
Reg^r^.

Brigantine Phoenix Capt. Willeboorts saild for Bengall. 8TH.
Ship Hussain Mahomud Raiga arr^d^. from Tenassery. —
Ship Joseph Capt. Peale saild for Bengall. —
Dispatch'd a Letter to F^t^. S^t^. D. of this days date sign'd by the Sec^ry^. —
Dispatch'd a Gen^ll^. to d^o^. of this days date. 9TH.
The Cornelia Galley Capt. West arr^d^. from Pegu. —
Ship Jesu Maria Joseph Augustin Bazilia saild for Manilha. 10.
Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Letter from Callicutt dat^d^. 1st. Ult^o^. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^. PRESIDENT & GOV^R^. — MONDAY THE 11TH.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. J. EMMERSON. J. TURTON.

The Trustees who were appointed by the Board to take care of M^r^. Jenkinsons Estate, report that they have discours'd him about his making Choice of others to act for him in their stead, but that he absolutely refuses to agree to any proposal of that kind, insisting upon the redelivery of his effects into his own hands, wch. the Board not thinking it yet safe for them to do

[Margin: The trustees of M^r^. Jenkinson rep^t^. that they have discours'd him in relation to his mak^g^. Choice of other Trustees but refuses to agree to any proposal that way.]

ORDER'D that the affair continue as it was, till further direction from the Board.

[Margin: ORDER'D the affair conitnue as it was.]

Lewis Mellicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine Lycense pays into Cash Pag^s^. Three hundred thirty three & twelve fan^s^. for last m^o's^. rent of that Farm.

[Margin: Farm^r^. of the arrack & Wine Lycense p^s^. in Pag^s^. 333 : 12 for last months rent of that Farm.]

Joshua Draper Sec^ry^. represents to the Board, that he sometimes meets with trouble in collecting in his fees from disputatious persons which cavil at paying them on acco^t^. of their not being establish'd by the Board. He therefore produces a list thereof, as allow'd him in the late Presid^t^. M^r^. Collets time, whereby he has acted ever since he came into the employ, having been guided therein by an old List, wch. M^r^. Turner a former Secretary deliver'd him under his own hand-writing from whence he drew that now produced, & delivers in the other also wch. being Compar'd together, they are found to differ in an article of five Pag^s^. for every bill of Sale wch. being thought more proper to be struck out on acco^t^. of its being Customary for every

[Margin: The Secry. acquaints the Board that he finds a great difficulty in collect^g^. in his Fees, ORDER'D a state of Fees be drawn out.]

seller to convey a title with what he sells of houses or lands, and it being also thought proper that the Honble. Comps. Covenanted servants should be Exempt from paying for Cossid or Pattamr. Lettrs. the Secretary is Order'd to decline those two articles for the future, the Board indemnifying him for what he has already taken, All the other articles in the sd. list being Judg'd reasonable, & known to be Customary without being Oppressive, the Secretary is Order'd to act conformable to it, and we do approve of what he has taken hitherto agreable to it.

That the sd. List be enter'd after this Cons: to prevent disputes.

ORDER'D that the said List of Fees be enter'd after this Consultation, & hung up in the Secretary's office likewise that no more disputes may happen on that account, leaving out the article about the bills of sale, & exempting the Company's Covenanted servts. from paying for their Lettrs. untill the Company shall think fitt to direct otherwise, that matter being referr'd to them.

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THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

A LIST OF FEES PAYABLE TO YE. SECRETARY VIZT.

	Pags.	Fans.	Cash.
For Cowls & Grants for Farms &ct.	5	—	—
For Lieutenants Commissions	5	—	—
For Ensigns Do.	3	—	—
For Free Merchts. Indentures	5	—	—
For all Probate of Wills	5	—	—
For every Petition of appeal from ye. Mayrs. Court ...	15	—	—
For Indentures for Comps. Servts. entertaind in India ...	5	—	—
For Registering of Diamonds each bulse	1	—	—
All ships to take a Pass yt. have not allready one in force & to pay for it if they are two hundd. tons burthen or upwd.	6	—	—
For all ships & Brigantines undr. 200 Tons	5	—	—
For all Sloops & Ketches	1	—	—
For all passes for boats yt. sail wth. a Topsail	—	12	—
For passes for Boats withot. a Topsail	—	9	—
For all Ordrs. for Commandrs. to receive Passengers on Board for England & for permission also	1	—	—
For writing & attestg. any Certificate or ordr. of Consul. or Paragraph of a Lettr.	—	18	—
For readg. any paper to ye. Govr. & Council, Petition, request, remonstrance, representation or such like ...	—	18	—
For Entering Do.	—	18	—
For drawg. of Interest bonds to receive when discharg'd .	1	—	—
For drawg. up any Petition of paper of request &ct. ...	1	—	—
For do. if exceedg. one side in such case to pay 18 fan. for every other.			
For all Lettrs. by ye. Comps. Peons Pattamrs. or Cossids Vizt.			
Vizagapatam to or from	—	4	—
Bengall to or from	—	6	—
Anjengo, Bombay or Suratt	—	9	—
For Every Contract made with ye. Joint Stock Merchs.	50	—	—
Commission of five ₰ Cent upon all Estates collected in or upon all outcrys made by [ye.] Secry.			

12TH. Brig. Triplicane Capt. Woodhouse Commr. arrd. from Bengall.

— Ship Munchu Capt. Biggins arrd. from Ganjam.

13TH. Ship Marlbrô Capt. Washington arrd. from Pegu.

14TH. Brigantine Young Darby Capt. Charlton Commr. arrd. from Ft. St. D.

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Ship Bon Voyage Cojee Simone Own^r. arr^d. from Pegu. 14TH.

Brig Narsingo Kittee Timapa Own^r. Sail'd for Tenassery. —

Ship Elihu Cojee Simone arr^d. from Pegu. 15TH.

Ship Metchlapatam Capt. Badman arr^d. from F^t. S^t. D. —

Rec^d. a Gen^ll. Letter from the Deputy Govr. of F^t. S^t. David dat^d. 13th. inst^t. ℘ Young Darby, & another of the same date ℘ Metchlapatam. 16TH.

Ship S^t.a Crutz Auga Noore Own^r. arr^d. from Pegu. —

The Craggs frigat (belonging to the Honble. Comp^a.) Capt. John Wynne Comm^r. arr^d. from Moco Moco, by whom rec^d. a Paquet from the Cheif & Council there. 17TH.

Rec^d. a Gen^ll. Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dat^d. 26th. ult^o. 18TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 18TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. PRESID^T. & GOV^R.

NATHANIEL ELWICK.	RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE.	RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.

M^r. John Turton *indisposed.*

M^r. John Turton indisp^d.

The Honble. Comp^s. ship Craggs frigat Capt. John Wynne Command^r. arriving Yesterday from Moco Moco with M^r. Isaac Pyke late Govr. of S^t. Helena on board the Pacquet was open'd and a Letter from the Cheif & Council dat^d. the 21st. Janry 1719/20 was read, also copy of a Letter from the Honble. Court of Directors dat^d. the 13th. March 1718 to the Dep^ty. Govr. & Council of the West Coast, together with severall other papers.

Craggs Frigatt arrive. yesterday frõ. Moco Moco wth. M^r. Pyke the Pacq^t. was opend and the Letter frõ. the Cheif &c^t. as also one frõ. the Court of Directors to the Govr. & Council of y^e. West Coast were read.

It appearing by the Honble. Comp^s. Letter beforemention'd, that M^r. Pyke was appointed 2^d. of the West Coast, & to succeed M^r. Cooke upon his coming away, and M^r. Ballet by his Gen^ll. Letter acknowledging that he refus'd to resign the Government to M^r. Pyke, because he had a power from hence to keep it in his own hands, M^r. Pyke, was sent for and appearing before the Board, was interrogated concerning all these affairs, particularly why he would not permitt the Capt. to deliver the Treasure for some time to M^r. Ballet & Council; He reply'd because he thought the Capt. was under confinement ashore, Capt. Wynn being call'd in and ask'd if he was confind at Moco Moco reply'd that they only desir'd him to stay at least if he went off M^r. Pyke might prevail with him to go away with the Comp^s. treasure; at length M^r. Pyke having related many particulars desir'd leave to committ them to paper [to be] deliver'd in the next Consultation, wch. desire was Granted; A Letter from M^r. Pyke to Capt. Wynne was then read, wherein Mr Pyke insinuates a design (if Capt. Wynne would Consent) to take Moco Moco by force, A Letter from M^r. Geo: Willy at Moco Moco was also read, wherein he charges M^r. Ballet with having found a design to sett that Factory on fire & go to the Dutch at Padang, & for having suspended him for being the instrument of the discovery by wch. the design was prevented.

M^r. Pyke appointed 2^d. of the West Coast but refusing to resign'd is governm^t.

M^r. Pyke interrogated concerning this affair who desir'd liberty to communicate it to the board in writing.

M^r. Geo. Willeys Letter read.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1720*—

Its thot. necessry. to hear what Mr. Pyke had to say before Judgmt. was pass'd Agreed to deferr the consideration till next Cons.

Before we proceed to a Judgement upon these matters. it being necessary to hear what Mr. Pyke has to say further concerning them, & therefore Its AGREED to deferr the consideration thereof till the next Consultation, when he has promised to deliver in his paper to the Board.

ORDER'D the aforementiond letters be transmitt'd home.

ORDER'D that all the Letters. aforemention'd be transmitted home except the Copy of the H. Comps. Letter to The West Coast.

The Presidt. acquaints the board that he has reo'd a second Letter from the Govr. of Tranquebr: relatg. to the Warr wth. the Moors & that he will not molest any ships under our protection.

The President acquaints the Board that having wrote an answr. to the Govr. of Tranquebars letter wch. he produced the other day in Council to desire an explanation as finding it obscure, he has received a 2d. letter upon the same subject, which he also produces wherein he assures him that he will not molest any ships from Fort St. David or this place wch. have our passes on board.

Order'd the Part of the Letter to that affair be enterd in the Copy book of Letters.

ORDER'D that that part of the said letter wch. relates to the affair abovemention'd, be enter'd in our Copy book of Letters. recd.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

20TH. Brigantine Jesu Maria Joseph arrd. from Goa.

— Ship Prosperous Capt. Nicholus saild for Vizagapatam.

— Ship Sarah Galley Capt. Walsh saild for Bengall.

21ST. Ship Golden Lyon, belonging to the Danes Capt. Brooksman Commr. sail'd for Tranquebar.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 21ST.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDENT & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
MR. JOHN TURTON *Sick*.

Mr. John Turton sick.

Mint Accot. for last mo. read ballce. remg : Pags. 170 : 32 : 40 & Rups. 1546 : 8. the formr. he ps. into Cash & the lattr. to ye. Impt. Warehousekeepr.

Fras. Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster his Accot. for last month read ballance Remaining Pags. 170 : 32 : 40 & Rups. 1546 : 8 the former he now pays into Cash & the latter delivers to the Impt. Warehousekr.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1720*—

The Accomptant reports the F^{t}. S^{t}. David Cash acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. the Vizagapatam d^{o}. for ffebry, & the Metchlapatam d^{o}. for Janry to be right.

M^{r}. Thomas Cooke a member of this Board delivers in a paper as entred after this Consultation, desiring satisfaction of M^{r}. Peter Shelly Factor in y^{e}. Honble. Comp^{s}. service for aspersing his Character in the manner as is therein mention'd ; In order to prove the accusation he produces an attestation under the hands of Messrs. Peter [*sic*] Newcombe & John Keeling, wch. is also entred hereafter, who being call'd before the Board, as also the said Peter Shelley, they offer'd their oaths to the truth of their Assertions, & the said Peter Shelley mak^{g}. no excuse for his fault, but rather persisting in it by producing his Covenants to warrant his calumny, they were all dismiss'd the room.

M^{r}. Cocke delivers in a paper as enter'd after this Cons^{s}: purport of wch. is to desire satisfaction of M^{r}. Shelley for false aspersions cast upon him in the hear^{g}. of Messrs. Newcombe and Keeling.

And the Board after some deliberation finding M^{r}. Cook very handsomely vindicate himself, particularly by producing the Originall West Coast Cash Book, which the said Peter Shelley said he had destroy'd, & that he had forged another, And Shelleys own hand Writing appearing in the said book, done at the West Coast which being show'd to him he Confess'd.

M^{r}. Cooke handsomly vindicat^{s}. himself and M^{r}. Shelley making confession

It was unanimously Agreed to Suspend the said Peter Shelley *ab officio* & *beneficio*.

Was Agreed to suspend the s^{d}. Peter Shelley frō. the Comp^{s}. service.

Richard Horden Imp^{t}. Warehousek^{r}. his acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. read Viz^{t}. Ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 1168 : 4 : 50.

M^{r}. Pyke according to Promise in last Consultation delivers in a Journal of all transactions, wch. he says occurr'd to his notice during his Voyage from S^{t}. Helena till his arrivall at this place, which being perused was order'd to have its copy transmitted home in our next Paquet, and Address to this board at the end of it, enter'd after this Consultation.

M^{r}. Pyke delivers in a Journal of all transactions in Voyage frō. S^{t}. Helena thither, Order'd that a Copy be transmitted home.

Gen^{ll}. Letters from the Deputy Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dat^{d}. the 13th. Instant read ℘ Young Darby and Ship Metchlapatam who arr^{d}. here a few days since with bales for wch. orders were immediately sign'd to be deliver'd to the Warehousekeep^{r}.

Gen^{ll}. Letter frō. the Depty. Govr. and Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. David dat^{d}. the 13th Instant [r]ead.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dat^{d}. the 26th. ult^{o}. read, advising that they shall be able to procure 600 bales by the end of Decr. next, and therefore its Agreed to give them ord^{s}. accordingly in our next Gen^{ll}. Letter.

Gen^{ll}. Letter frō. Vizagapā. dat^{d}. the 26th. Ult^{o}. read.

The Board having debated concerning the affairs of the Government of the West Coast, & the several disputes between Messrs. Pyke & Ballet for some time,

The Board maturely considering the Affairs of the West Coast,

At length determin'd to come to some Resolution the next Consultation.

determines to come to some resolution the next Cons^{s}.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1720*—

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. Geor. &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

I herewith lay before your Honr. &ct. an attestation of some scandalous and fals Reports rais'd by Mr. Peter Shelly on board the Craggs, which may tend to the ruin of my Reputation should I not Justifie & Clear my self from such vile aspersions.

He accuses me as Appears by said attestation Viz .

That ye. Companys Treasure being Saved from Bencoolen when it came to be Deliverd here most of the Chests prov'd Capper Cash instead of Plate.

That the Comps. Originall Cash Book was made away with & a new one Forged.

That by what was deliver'd here of ye. Companys Cash he was sure a great deal was Embezelled.

These are such horrid Crimes that I should deserve the Severest punishment as well as Censure, if they appear to be truth, but I think 'twill be no hard matter to convince your Hoñ. &ct. that each Article is most notoriously False.

First That the Copper Cash Deliverd in by me on my arrival here is well known to be part of the Effects belongg. to Mr. Richard Farmer receiv'd in that specie in the month of Janry. but when 'twas Enterd in ye. Cash Book 'twas reduced into Dollrs. & Carried forward as part of the Ballce. of ye. Cash, & as such was pd. in here.

Secondly That ye. Originall Cash Book was made away wth. & a new one forg'd will appear to be false if the Cash Book be produced which was Deliver'd in by me ye. first Council day after my arrivall, which is ye. Originall & will be found to be brought forward from ye. time Mr. Farmer had ye. Charge of ye. Cash untill my arrival here when 'twas past in Consultation by ye. then Presidt. & Council and sign'd by Joshua Draper Secry. the 9th. of July last in said Cash Book is Enter'd Mr. Farmer & my Counter Receipts for ye. Ballce. then being Dollrs. 44,591 : 3 : 84. (su. ca.)

Thirdly That any part of ye. Companys Cash was Embezelled, if your Honr. &ct. are not allready satisfied in that Particular wth. ye. Accots. deliver'd in by me they are still in being & may be re-examin'd, & if it should appear that I have any wayes defrauded ye. Compa. I am willing to make them restitution to ye. last farthing of yt. small remains of my fortune. But as I am very confident no such thing can be prov'd I request yor. Honr. &ct. will do me Justice in making some Publick Example of Mr. Shelley for ye. Injury he hath done me in being ye. auther of these false accusations which will clear my Innocence to ye. world & ever oblige me to remain.

Fort St. Geor. Your Honrs. &ct. most Obedts. Servt.
Apl. 21st. 1720. Thomas Cooke.

Wee who's Names are under written do attest that being on board the Craggs Wee heard Mr. Peter Shelly (amongest aboundance of Scandolus reports) says to this purpose, that the Companys Bencoolen Treasure was saft but when it come to be delivered here the Chests proved to be most of them full of nothing but copper cash insted of plate & that ye. Comps. Origenall Cash Book he supposed was made away with & another Forged & that he knew the last Ballce. of Account Cash at Bencoolen & by what was deliverd here he was sure there was a great deal imbazelled.

Fort St. George Stepn. Newcome.
21st. Apll. 1720. John Keeling.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Govr. of Madrass & his Honble. Council.

Honble. Sr. & Gentlemen

After my arrival here in ye. Craggs Friggat when you had read over ye. Genll. Lettr. from yor. Cheif & Council for yor. Affairs at Moco Moco on ye. West Coast of Sumatra you were pleasd to tell me that if I had any thing on that subject to offer you, I should put it in Writing against your next Consultation day.

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And because I am unacquainted wth. y^e^. Contents of said Lett^r^. Imagining only but not know^g^. what part of y^e^. s^d^. Lett^r^. may relate to me I cannot make a direct proper Answ^r^. to it, but because these affairs are of very great consequence it is reasonable that those transactions either of mine or others there should be all fully layd before you I have presum'd to bring a Rough Draft of some of y^e^. memoirs that I took as well at Batavia as on y^e^. West Coast y^t^. yor. Hon^rs^. being thereby acquainted wth. all our actions you may y^e^. better Judge of our intentions.

The forego^g^. Papers being written on board of ship & intended only as memorandums of y^e^. perplexities & Vexations we have undergone on acco^t^. of the Hoñ. Comp^s^. affairs & design'd only to be showen among my Friends are most of them too Tedious & Impertinent to be layd before yor. Honble. Board.

If I had more time I would have endeavour'd a farther Abridgm^t^. & not have troubled yor. Hon^rs^. wth. half this writing & therefore hope you'l excuse y^t^. many Tautalogies & less necessary Repetitions.

But as it is usual in all long preambles to overrun some of y^e^. most material matters & dwell too much on Triffles in case any circumstance hereof happen to be too darkly Exprest or in case any thing in y^e^. Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. that relates to myself have not something in these papers that may serve for an answ^r^. thereunto I humbly pray that I may be acquainted wth. it & will to those particulars give as clear & full an answ^r^. as I can. I am Hoñ. S^r^. & Gentlemen

Yo^r^. most Obed^t^. & most Hum^ble^. Servt.
ISAAC PYKE.

Brigantine Cauderbux sailed for the Bay. 22^D^.

Ship Mary Ann Galley sailed for d^o^. —

Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Letter from M^r^. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlap̃. dat^d^. the 26th. March 1720. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 25TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDAL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.

M^r^. John Turton *Sick*.

Mr. John Turton sick.

Gen^ll^. Letter from M^r^. Humphrey Holcombe at Metchlapatam dat^d^. the 26th. Ult^o^. Read, inclosing his Acco^ts^. for ffebry wch. were deliv^d^. the Accomptant.

Gen^ll^. Letter frõ. Metchlapatam dat^d^. 26th. Ult^o^. read.

Nath : Elwick Exp^t^. Warehousek^r^. his acco^t^. for last m^o^. read ballance due from him Pag^s^. 173 : 13 : 21 and he desires Pag^s^. 826 : 22 : 59 may be advanced him to pay the Washers, Dyers &c^t^. wch. is ORDER'D to be done.

Exp^t^. Warehousekeep^rs^. acco^t^. for last Month read ball^co^. due frõ him Pag^s^. 173 : 13 : 21 Pag^s^. 826 : 22 : 59. advanced him to pay the Washers and Dyers.

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Paymrs. Accot. for last Month read.

Thomas Cooke Paymaster his accot. for last month read Vizt.

Chas. Garrison ...	Pags	1922	34	25
Charges Generall ...		760	1	40
Dieu Island ...		22	—	—
Charges Cattle ...		154	19	15
Charges Extraordinary ...		435	1	20
Inward Fort ...		36	1	60
Reprs. of Fortifications ...		234	10	30
Charles's Point ...		641	24	65
New Warehouse ...		140	20	—
Charges Dyett ...		385	33	10
Dyet & Stores laid in ...		467	19	4
Inclosure on ye. Island ...		93	18	45
Mint ...		87	9	—
	Pags.	5381	12	74

ballce. due to him Pags. 2381 : 12 : 74. Order'd. to be pd.

ballance due to him Pags. 2381 : 12 : 74 wch. is ORDER'D to be paid him.

The Extraordinary Expence of this mo. being Examin'd into is found to arise from the following Articles Vizt.

	can. md. lb.						
CHARGES GARRISON Lead 5 : 17 : 5 for making shott ...				Pags.	41	—	60
CHARGES GENERALL Vizt. French vittry, chints & Taylors work at ye. Garden house ...	13	26	40				
New lineing & painting the Govrs. Chariot ...	56	18	—				
two book presses for the Church Library ...	21	—	—				
					91	8	40
DIEU ISLAND paid David Murray Gunnr. & his Mate ...					22	—	—
INWARD FORT for iron stone pavement ...					36	1	60
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY Vizt. provn. for the Officers & 168 men on the outguards and drams twice a day to all the Garrison during the late troubles at the Moors Metto. ...	Pags. 407	21	20				
President charges for dyett for prisonrs. water for the Soldrs. sending the Mulla to St. Thoma & presents to Aga Mogheem ...	27	16	—				
					435	1	20
REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATIONS Vizt. repairing the Town Wall as ₩ ordr. of Cons. ...	70	33	70				
Timber & plank us'd at the Garden house ...	19	9	—				
Sundry necessary repairs. ...	144	3	40				
					234	10	30
CHARLES'S POINT for workmen & materials this mo. ...					641	24	65
NEW WAREHOUSE do. ...					140	20	—
INCLOSURE ON THE ISLAND Do. ...					93	18	45
MINT Do. ...					87	9	—
				Pags.	1822	23	—

Storekeeprs. Accot. for last Month read ballce. due Pags. 1509 : 25 : 45.

Richd. Benyon Storekr. his Accot. for last mo. read ballance due from him Pags. 1509 : 25 : 45.

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Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pags. Five hundred Eighty three & twelve fans. for last mos. rent of that Farm.

Tobacco Farmr. ps. into Cash Pags. 583 : 12 :

The President acquaints the Board that he has lately discover'd a conspiracy some time since form'd by the Inhabitants of the Chitty Cast of this place to revolt from the English Governmt. & Shelter themselves undr. the protection of the Portugueze at St. Thoma. That upon receiving notice thereof he confin'd two of the Honble. Comps. Merchants, who are heads of ye. Chitty Cast, as believing them to have been concern'd in the Conspiracy, wch. he detected by the following Accident.

The Presidt. acquaints the board that he has discover'd a conspiracy held by the Chitty Cast for diserting this Governmt.

A Galliott nam'd the Jesu Maria Joseph arriving here a few days since with one Pareira (commonly called the one eyed Doctor) as Supra Cargo, and (as it has since appear'd) Embassador from ye. Viceroy of Goa to the Chittys of this place, The Pilot of wch. (being a Portugueze fellow) having recd. sevll. Presents from the Vice Roy, for wch. he had sign'd bills of lading to deliver to sevll. of the Chittys here, accordingly upon his arrival enquir'd for those people, not knowing upon what errand the Galliott was sent hither, or what was the intent of sending those Presents ; The Person enquir'd of (thô a Portugueze) being well affected to the English, seeing him produced letter directed to Colloway Chitty, Ball Chitty, Nallapa Chitty, & Can Chitty &ct. Inhabitants of the Chitty Cast in Madrass, began to Reflect within himself, what could be the meaning of the Viceroy of Goa's writing a letter, & Corresponding wth. a Sect of people in this place, and hearing at the same time the Pilot say, that he had Presents to deliver to the Heads of them, It put him into a Consternation Especially considering that the Supra Cargo of the Ship, was publickly known to be a Villain & stood recorded as such.

and that by the Jesu Maria Joseph there were several presents sent frō : the Vice Roy of Goa to several of the Chitty Cast.

The President adds that this person on being under a very great concern as apprehending some treacherous design by the odd circumstances wch. appear'd, Communicated to him, thrô the means of Mr. Horden all that had passed upon this occasion, whereupon he sent Lieutenant Fullerton & the pilote of the Galliot wth. a Serjeant & six men to apprehend the aforemd. Pareira in his house in the black town, but he, by their mistaking the way, had made his Escape, before they got to the house, when they enter'd, they found his wife there who deliver'd them sevll. papers, wch. she found in her Husbands Escrutore, & they sealing up the said Escrutore brought it wth. them.

Lieutenant Fullerton a Serjeant and six men sent to apprehend Pereira Master of the Galliot who brot. the Presents, They having miss'd him they made a seizure of several papers in Escrutore.

The said Papers being produced by the Presidt. were Vizt. a bundle of papers (said to be Grants for the Town of St. Thoma in one of the lettrs.) entitled authentick Copys of Phirmaunds granted by the Kings of Golcondah in favr. of the City of St. Thomâ & wrote in the Persian Language ; A Copy of Manuel De Oranzo, Commr. of Ship Jesu Maria Joseph from Goa, his instructions or ords.—Lists of presents from Goa on Jesu Maria Joseph to be sent to the Mogull, & Nabob Hussan Ally Gawn ; A Sealed lettr. from the King's Councellour at Goa to Colloway Chitty, Ball Chitty, Nallapa Chitty, Marr Chitty &ca. Inhabitants of the Chitty Cast in Madrass wch. was Order'd to be Open'd & being Translated into the English Language, they were all read & Copys of them Order'd to be transmitted home in our next Paquet.

the sd. Papers produc'd by the Presidt.

The Board having heard a very full relation of this matter, immediately sent for the Pilote, & Summon'd the heads of the Chitty Cast to appear before them ; The former being present, severall Interrogatorys were put to him, & his answers were found to agree wth. ye very letters & papers themselves, wth. respect to the Presents &ct. put on board him ; but it appears that he was entirely ignorant of the Design, that was intrusted to the aforemd. Pareira whose ords. he was to follow implicitly ; The Pilote being dismiss'd the heads of the Chitty Cast appear'd amongst wch. were

The Chitty Cast appear before the board.

the Agents for ye. Comps. Left hand Merchts. who being askd concerning this affair, they confidently deny'd ther. knowing any thing of the matter, but the Board being Satisfy'd of the Good grounds, which there are to suspect their Guilt, requir'd them forthwth. to give Security for their good behaviour concerning wch. they promis'd to discourse the rest of their Cast, & then return an answer, whereupon they were dismissed.

Agreed that the Goods brot. by the ed. Perira be detain'd in the Sea Customrs. hande till further Orders.

The matter being very fully debated, It was at length Agreed, That as the aforemention'd Pareira had brought severall sorts of Goods, as presents for the Great Mogull, & Sied Hussenally Cawn, they should be secured by the Sea Customr. till further ordr. & that in ordr. thereto a Serjeant & Six men, should be sent on board the Galliott undr. the direction of the Sea Custr.

Order'd that the Secry. do affix a paper at the Sea Gate to give notice, That if any person or persons concern'd in this conspiracy will discover the same to the President or to any one of the Council, he or they shall have a handsome reward, and full pardon for themselves, and that he do enter a Copy of the said paper after this Consultation.

Agreed that the Chitty Cast be continued undr. confinemt. in ordr. to get some further light.

Agreed, That the Honble. Comps. Left hand Merchts. and the rest of the Heads of the Chitty Cast, be continued undr. Confinemt. in ordr. to get some further light into this affair.

Mr. Jennings advices the Presidt. that two English and two Dutchmen came thither frõ. Tranquebar in a boate as also one frõ. Tranquebar on the same subject.

The President acquaints the Board, that he is advised by Mr. Jennings D. Govr. of Ft. St. David, that there are two English and two Dutchmen come thither from Tranquebar in a boat, wch. they ran away wth. from a Danes ship lying in that road ; He adds that ye. Govr. of Tranquebar, has also wrote him a letter upon the same Subject wherein he Esteems them as Pirates, & desires they may be treated accordingly.

Agreed they be wrote for up.

Agreed that the President do write to Mr. Jennings to send them hither by the 1st. Opportunity.

The West Coast affair debated.

The Board having the last Consultation, agreed to come to some determination, at this (being the next Meeting) concerng. the West Coast affairs, They were accordingly Debated, and it appearing upon examination into the Disputes that have been between Messeurs Pyke & Baliet about the Right of Authority in the Government of the West Coast, that there have been faults on both sides, & Mr. Ballet now standing Accused of a very heavy Charge both by Mr. Pyke & Mr. Willy of a design to set fire to the buildings at Moco Moco, & to retire to ye. Dutch at Podang, and the Board being apprehensive, that if we should send Mr. Pyke over Deputy Govr. matters might not be so impartially Examin'd into, as would be necessary, on accot. of Mr. Pykes resentment of some injurys, he says he has recd. from Mr. Ballet, wch. whether reall or Supposed time must determine.

That its necessry. to send over a supravisor to enquire strictly into matters.

For these reasons we think it absolutely necessary to send over a Supravizor, who by being disinterested in either side may enquire strictly into ye. matters of Fact, related both by Messrs. Pyke and Ballet & faithfully & impartially Judge, & determine between them, besides that he will perhaps have it in his power to reconcile, & accommodate all their private Picques and Differences.

Natives seem well inclin'd of the West Coast to the English.

And whereas by all the Accots. both of Messrs. Pyke and Ballet now before us, the Natives at Bencoolen seem well disposed to a perfect reconciliation to the

English, & fearing that we may render ourselves liable to Censure from our Honble. Masters, should we not embrace this fair Opportunity of resetling Fort Marlbrô & thereby prevent the greatest branch of our pepper trade from falling into y^e^. hands of the Dutch, & being irrecoverably lost, It is unanimously

AGREED to enter upon the Choice of proper persons to be sent on an Expedition to Bencoolen forthw^th^. to Resetle Fort Marlbrô.

AGREED to enter upon the Choice of proper Persons for that Expedition.

It is further AGREED that M^r^. John Turton be appointed Supravizor, & Deputy Govr. *pro Tempore* of the West Coast of Sumatra That he do carry over wth. him M^r^. Isaac Pyke as second to succeed him as Deputy Govr. on his leaving that place.

Mr. Turton go Supravizor & Dep^ty^. Govr. to the West [Coast]. Mr. Pyke as second & to succeed in that Governm^t^.

By the Election of M^r^. Turton as SupraViz^r^. there being a Vacancy at this Board, The President proposed, that M^r^. Joshua Draper should be admitted as Youngest of Council, & to remain nevertheless in his post of Secretary at his desire, Messrs. Elwick & Benyon & Emmerson dissented to that proposal, alledging that it was contrary to the Honble. Comp^s^. ord^rs^. expressed in the 91st. paragraph of their letter ℔ the King William 1716, wch. was read through, and is hereafter recited.

The Presid^t^. proposes Mr. Draper as Youngest of Council & to continue as Secr^y^. but Messrs. Elwick & Benyon and Emmerson dissented to that proposal alledg^g^. 'Twas contrary to the Comp^s^. Orders.

We observe what mention'd in parag. 113 ℔ Joseph, & the Cons. there "referr'd to, & parag. 93 ℔ Hannover, touching the filling up the Council according "to former ord^r^. but y^o^. will see in our General Lett^r^. last year by the Mary, that we "would not have our Council to be less than Seven & we now say, whenever they are "no more, it will be so much the better, because an ill use hath been made by some "admitt^d^. into our Councils in India, for they then thought they had a priviledge to "be Exempt from any Controul, & to leave our business to others und^r^. them, witho^t^. "taking the same pains abo^t^. it, as they used to be at before such promotion, thô we "would hope this is not the case of any of yor. Council for if it should, they ought "to be no longer therein yet it is not good for Young men, especially to come too "nigh the Temptation, nor to be advanced too soon, least their heads turn giddy, as "seem'd to be the case of M^r^. Raworth.

The Para. of the Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. relating thereto read.

All the Members of the Board except Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson, very readily Agreed to the Presidents proposal of admitting M^r^. Joshua Draper as Youngest of Council for the reasons wch. were given for the admission of Messrs. Benyon & Turton, who could not claim it by Seniority, but were taken in for their extraordinary merit, as is expressed by Govr. Collet in a former Gen^ll^. Letter, so that the Majority of this Board declaring their Agreement to admitt M^r^. Joshua Draper as Youngest of Council, He took his place accordingly, & then begg'd leave to represent that in the way, wch. Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson, dissented to his admission to the Board, he thought himself highly Reflected on by them, & gave his reasons verbally for the proof thereof, as well as to Justify his being brought to the Board, producing the instance of M^r^. Turner's promotion when there were actually seven members before, and then desir'd liberty to committ all his thoughts to writing, wch. occurr'd to him on that occasion, in order to be deliver'd in the next Consultation, & Enter'd after this, wch. Request was Granted him.

Mr. Joshua Draper taken to the board Elected by Majority of voices & took his place as youngest of Council.

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Mr. Randll. Fowke to taken upon the Employ of Receiver.

Agreed that as Mr. Joshua Draper continues to act as Secry. wch. is a fatieguing Employment, Mr. Randall Fowke do enter upon Mr. Turtons place of Receivr. forthwth. that Mr. Draper may the easr. undergo it, who is Order'd to be one of the Justices of the Choultry upon Mr. Turtons going away, but Mr. Turton must continue at the Board during his stay and return to his Station thereat after having setled all the Affairs of the West Coast.

Fra: Hastings.
N: Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Richd. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &cr. Council.

Honble. Sr. &cr.

A Vacancy in Council having been occasiond by ye. appointmt. of Mr. John Turton supraVizor of ye. West Coast on ye. 25th. Inst. the Honble. Presidt. was pleasd to propose myself as ye. properest person to supply it & ye. Majority approving thereof I was accordingly Elected a Member for which favour I am to render my thankfull acknowledgments.

But three of ye. Gentlemen Vizt. Messrs. Elwick, Benyon and Emmerson, being pleasd to dissent to ye. Choice because they said it was Contrary to ye. Hon. Comps. ordrs. express'd in ye. 91st. paragraph of their Lettr. by ye. King William Anno 1716, the sum & substance of which is That whenever ye. Council consist of no more than seven it will be so much ye. Better, & because I think in so Dissenting they have glancd some reflections at me which may Affect my Character at Home if I should remain Silent, & not ward them off. I beg'd leave of yor. Honr. &ct. to clear myself in writing which I have endeavour'd to do in ye. following arguments.

First. I desire Liberty to prove (if I can) that I am not admitted to ye. Board Contrary to ye. Hon. Comps. ordrs. in ye. 91st. paragraph aforesaid.

Secondly. That there is no ordr. at all in that paragraph.

Thirdly. That what Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson, call an ordr. is no more than an opinion or advice.

Fourthly. That I am rightly & justly admitted to ye. Board although the Honble. Comps. Opinion four years ago should appear for not letting ye. number exceed seven.

Fifthly. That Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson, have reflected upon my charactor in ye. way wch. they have Dissented to my admission to ye. Board.

Sixthly & lastly. That their Dissent is in reality an assent.

To ye. first then Vizt. That I am not admitted to ye. Board Contrary to ye. Honble. Comps. orders in ye. 91st. paragraph aforesaid.

It is well known that in ye. true way of reasoning ye. proposition is first laid down then comes ye. reason & from thence is drawn ye. Conclusion in ye. 91st. Paragraph of ye. Hoñ. Comps. Lettr. aforementiond this way of reasoning may be observ'd ye. words are to this purpose. Whenever ye. Council Consist of no more then seven it will be so much ye. better, this is ye. proposition next comes ye. reason because young men for ye. sake of leaving their Business to others undr. them for ye. sake of power & Controwl which are temptations having been desireous of admission

to ye. Board & having obtain'd it, an ill use hath been made of ye. Lattitude formerly given of filling up ye. Board to nine in Number, a second reason for their Inclination to decrease that Number to seven, is to prevent those persons from coming to the Board who perhaps may have pretentions on accot. of seniority but none on accot. of Merit and are as they say of a Giddy unsettled temper. The proposition being at length laid down & two reasons assign'd ye. Conclusion remains to be drawn, wch. with submission may be done in ye. following manner, That whenever any of ye. Honble. Companys Servants within reach of the Board appear desireous of living an Idle Life when they seem ambitious of Power & Controul, or discover a giddy wild and unsettled temper that then such undeserving persons should be prevented by this Plea from Importuning ye. Board to admitt them as members but this does not in any way exempt myself from being admitted at this time when there are seven already because ye. Majority of ye. Board (who are alwayes to be Esteemd ye. properest Judges of mens merit) have by voating for my Election plainly shewd that they do not think me a person desireous of being in Council for ye. sake of leaving my business to others undr. me or desirous of Power & Controwl or that I am of a Giddy unsettled Temper.

These three articles be objected against in a mans Charactor I beg leave to take notice of a Part, They are Vizt.

First. An Idle Lazy Disposition

Secondly. An Imperious mind

Thirdly. The want of Sence & Solidity.

In answer to ye. first I need only say That my having Voluntarily taken upon me to act as Secry. and be of Council at ye. same time is a sufficient Argument that I have not coveted an admission to ye. Board for ye. sake of leaving my Business to others & consiquently is a full proof that I am not of an Idle disposition.

To ye. Second about power & Controul I have never yet acted in a station where I had an opportunity to exercise any & therefore it has not been in ye. power of any body to judge one way or the other, all that I shall add upon this Head is that I firmly beleive those persons who suspect my eagerness of comg. to ye. Board to proceed from a desire of power & Controwl did realy seek that advancemt. themselves wth. a desire to exercise it & ye. reason of this belief arises from a French Motto wch. I have frequently mett with that is *Hon i Soit qui maly pense*, or evil be to them that evil think.

I shall say nothing else to ye. last article about ye. want of sence & solidity, but that ye. persons who Consented to make me Secry. and had no better opinion of my Capacity gave up their own reason & ye. Interest of ye. Honble. Company out of Complaisance, or elce they did not know what they were doing & now having replyd to ye. three particulars I proposed I think it necessary to excuse myself for having spoken in my own behalf with this universally allow'd maxim that self Commendation is always allowable in cases of detraction.

Having done with ye. first Genll. head I come now to ye. second & third to prove that in ye. Paragraph quoted by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon and Emmerson, there is no ordr. at all but an opinion or advice.

To the end that I may do this clearly I shall beg leave to define ye. matter of an ordr.

In my humble opinion 'tis that by which we are to understand a Command expressd in a peremptory form of words and it had Generally a Penalty annex'd to it which with respect to the Company is incuring their displeasure & its Consequences & it requires no great penetration to discern that there is no command or order in ye. words it had better been done; & that it amounts to no more then an advice or opinion.

As to the fourth head that I am rightly & Justly admitted to ye. Board althô ye. Hoñ. Compa. opinion four years ago should appear for not letting ye. number of ye. Board exceed seven by all the observations I have made upon ye. Compa. Lettrs. I

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find that thô they give such & such directions they generally leave them discretionally to ye. Presidt. & Council to be put in Execution & for this reason because though at ye. writing of those Lettrs. it may appear necessary to act so, or so, yet before ye. rect. of them (which is generally six months difference in time) a thousand accidents may Interveen which make it advisable to take other measures so that were it the Comps. opinion four years ago ye. Members of ye. Board should not exceed seven in number the Presidt. & Council have an undoubted power to increase that number whenever ye. majority of them shall say they see a just occasion.

To ye. fifth Article Vizt. that Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson, have reflected upon my Charactor in ye. way which they have dissented to my admission to ye. Board & this I prove in ye. followg. manner.

That as I have already prov'd what they call an ordr. to be no more than an advice or opinion & Little more than a proposition, grounded upon such, & such reasons & seeing yt. ye. Company could never expect their advice, opinions or propositions to be made good by us unless such reasons appear'd, & seeing further more that Messrs. Elwick &ct. having been guided by ye. reasons mentiond undr. my first head have follow'd ye. Comps. advice or opinion, I have provd undr. ye. same head, that those reasons do not relate to me, then of course I have provd that that advice, opinion, Proposition (or if it was an ordr.) does not relate to me, but as those reasons (as I said undr. the first head) are to exclude men of scandalous Characters from the Board, they by applying those reasons to my case have endeavor'd to make my Charactor scandalous which I think is sufficient to prove they have highly reflected upon me.

I now come to prove ye. 6th. & last article I proposd (which may perhaps seem a Paradox) That Messrs. Elwick, Benyon, & Emmersons Dissent is a real assent.

It has before been said that Messrs. Elwick, Benyon and Emmerson, Dissented to my admission to ye. Board for one reason namely, That it was Contrary to ye. Comps. ordrs. express'd in ye. 91 Paragraph of a Lettr. then mentioned ; In my second & third heads I have fully provd that there is actually no ordr. in that Paragraph if then they Dissented as beleiving there was an ordr. & afterwards there is prov'd to be none the reason for ye. Dissent Ceases & Consequently ye. Dissent itself ; if ye. Dissent Ceases an assent comes of Course because men must assent if they see no reason to Dissent, or else they must Dissent for no reason at all and it is Directly contrary to ye. Comps. Ordrs. to Dissent withot. giving Substantiall reasons, and this renders them liable to more then Censure proves their Judgmts. to be weak Intcrupts ye. Comps. Affairs, triffles away the time that should be employ'd in them & bespeaks them not qualified to judge of other matters.

Having at length in my humble Opinion and with all submission & defference to ye. Opinion of this Board made good ye. Sevll. Argumts. which I proposd to go upon I beg leave to give an additional Reason for my having been justly & rightly admitted to ye. Board though there are already seven Members at it includg. ye. Presidt. since I have had ye. Honr. to act as Secry. to ye. Board I more than once have known ye. time when preceedents were thought a sufficient sanction for acting in any dubious Case. I remember when M . George Torriano was proposd to be admittd as a covenanted servt. in ye. degree of a Factor he was also proposd to be admitted as a Factor for three years only ; some of the then members of the Board (who might know it was Contrary to ye. Comps. ordrs. to admitt a Factor for three years only withot. their privious knowledge & Consent) thot. ye. likelyest way to gain their Point would be to produce a Precedent, & they accordingly mentiond Mr. Saml. Synnock ; whereupon Mr. Toriano was chosen for three years & thereby he would have superceeded me at the Expiration of it nevertheless I acquiessd, as supposing Board Esteemd him a more deserving man then my Self, for I know that Plea to be unanswerable because ye. Hoñ. Compa. in ye. 45 Parag̃. of their Letter by the Mary dated ye. 12 Janry. 1714 Expressly tell us that Merrit not seniority is to be reguarded & here it is to be noted, that Precedents havg. been thought a Sufficient sanction

even for disobeying the Comp^s. ord^rs. by those very Gentlemen who now Dissent to my being taken into Council for that which in y^e. worst sence is but contrary to what might seem y^e. Comp^s. Opinion four years ago.

It was with hopes of the like Success, which Jñ. Toriano mett wth. that I produced y^e. Instance of M^r. Turner to favour my admission to the Board, I laid before yor. Hon^r. &c^t. y^e. Consultation of y^e. 5th. of Septr. 1717 wherein it is expressly said, there being a Vacancy at this board upon M^r. Josiah Cookes Resignation Agreed that M^r. Nathaniel Turner be admitted as young of Council. The Board then Consisted of seven members as appeard by the foregoing Consult: Viz^t. The Presid^t. & Messrs. Frederick, Jennings, Horden, Cooke, Legg, & Fowke & notwithstanding M^r. Turner was admitted as an eighth at the same time making it a Standing Rule that when y^e. Board was reduced to Seven it should be concluded there was a vacancy wch. I take to be y^e. plain sence of y^e. foregoing quotation. This admission of M^r. Turners was two years after y^e. Company had wrote out their Sentiments upon which Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmersons Dissent is grounded, Our Hoñ. Masters have not Disapprov'd the Presid^ts. & Councils Conduct in admitting M^r. Turner to y^e. Board though it before Consisted of seven members and therefore as no dislike is express'd it is to be taken for granted they approve it thô by a tacit approbation for by y^e. observation I have made upon their Lett^r. I perceive they seldom reply to any particulars which are not refer'd to them for their Opinions or where they do not think fitt to show their Dislike.

The great Concern I have upon me for meeting wth. opposition in coming to this Board after y^e. repeated assurances I rec^d. from y^e. late Presid^t. of obtaining that favour & after all y^e. pains I have taken in my Hoñ. Masters service to deserve it will (I hope) plead an excuse for drawing out this paper to so great a length, The principal design of it having been to ward off some Reflections Glanc'd at me by M^r. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson, in their dissent wch. I thought might affect my Character if I remain'd silent, & therefore I hope what I have said will be a sufficient defence & preserve me in y^e. good Opinion of my Hoñ. Masters, as well as of this Board, wch. I shall endeavour to maintain so long as I have y^e. Hon^r. to continue in their service against all y^e. Detraction of envy ; & having at length made an Apology for y^e. trouble I have herein given this Board, I shall submitt y^e. whole of what I have said with y^e. greatest Difference Immaginable to yor. Hon^r. &c^s. better Judgm^ts. & conclude with assurance that I am through a deep sence of yor. favours ever oblig'd to approve myself

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HON^BLE. S^R. &C^R.
Yo^r. most Obed^t. hum^ble. Servt.

JOSHUA DRAPER.

WHEREAS a discovery hath lately been made of a design some time since formd by the Inhabitants of y^e. Chitty Cast of this place, to revolt from this Governm^t. & to take protection und^r. y^e. Portu[gueze] at S^t. Thoma, & whereas there is just reason to suspect by y^e. Vice Roy of Goa's Lett^rs. to y^e. heads of y^e. Chitty Cast that they signified und^r. their hands their resolution to dissert this place & shelter themselves und^r. y^e. Portugueze at S^t. Thoma in case he could [have] obtaind a grant of that place from y^e. Nabob, and whereas [further] more y^e. said Chittys upon Examination have confidently [denied] their engagem^t. in any such consperiey. The Hoñ. Govr. & Council have therefore tho^t. fitt to issue out this Proclamation [that if] any person or persons concern'd in the said Conspiracy will make a discovery to the Presid^t. or to any one of the Council, so as that the rest of the persons concern'd may be fully Convicted, such ꝑson or ꝑsons shall re[ceive a] handsome reward, & full pardon for themselves. By ord^r. of the Honble. Go[vernour].

JOSHUA DRAPER.
Sec^ry.

About 4 of the clock this afternoon Dy'd M^r. John Turton Youngest of Council of an Inflammatory fever, & was interr'd the same Night. 25TH.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY THE 26TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATH: ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. J. EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Mr. John Turton dyg. wth.out Will, Orderd the Paymr. and Mr. Richd. Benyon take care of his Effects.

Mr. John Turton a member of this Board dying yesterday without leaving any apparent Will, ORDER'D that the Paymr. & Mr. Richd. Benyon do take care of his Effects.

Mr Turton being dead, the Board thot. proper to elect another of the Members as Supra Visor, the Presidt. proposes Mr. Emmerson but he being fearfull of his health desires to be excus'd, Mr. Draper offers himself wch. was kindly accepted.

Mr. Turton being dead, the Board thought proper to proceed to the choice of another member of it to go Supra Vizor to the West Coast in his room, whereupon the President proposed Mr. John Emmerson, (Mr. Draper being otherwise engaged, by his continuance in the Secrys. Employ) but Mr. Emmerson desiring to be Excus'd as being apprehensive that the Country would not Agree wth. his Constitution, Mr. Draper offer'd his Service to the Board to go upon the intended Expedition to ye. West Coast, wch. was kindly Accepted.

AGREED Mr. Draper be appointed Supra Visor and Depty. Govr. of the West Coast *pro tempore.*

AGREED therefore that Mr. Joshua Draper be constituted Supravizor & Deputy Govr. *pro tempore* of the West Coast of Sumatra in the room of Mr. John Turton decd. and that he be invested wth. the same powers, wch. Mr. Cooke was invested wth. while there.

ORDER'D the Secry. draw out Commn.

ORDER'D that the Secry. draw out a Commission for him accordingly.

Sea Customrs. Accot. for last month read.

Richard Horden Sea Customr. his accot. for last mo. read Vizt.

Custom on goods imported & Exported ... ... Pags.	2550	—	24
Do. on Grain	707	—	44
Anchorage	27	18	—
Pags.	3284	18	68

ballce. due from him Pags. 8464 : 30 : 60.

ballance due from him Pagodas Eight thousand four hundred and Sixty four, thirty fanams, and Sixty Cash, part of wch. he acquaints the Board, that he should have paid in this day had not he been disappointed by Mr. Turtons death, who was Receiver of the Sea Customs, & had the mony in his hands.

Land Customr. ps. Pags. 442 : 11 : 71 ballce. of his last months accot.

Randall Fowke Land Customr. pays into Cash Pagodas four hundred forty two, Eleven fanams & Seventy one Cash, in full of the ballance of his last mo. account.

Mr. Holcombe complains of Cojee Gee's ill usuage.

Mr. Holcombe at Metchlapatam having complain'd of Cojee Gee's ill usage of him, undr. pretence of Aga Pera's having advised him that his Goods were stopp'd at the Custom house here till they had paid the Duty's here the said Aga Pera was sent for and Appearing before the Board was questiond concerning the affair and

particularly why he did not advise Cojee Gee, that it was not Customary to excuse any persons from paying the Customs of the place, wch. he promis'd to do in his next Letter as also to tell him that if he did not refund the 20 Rup^s^. he had extorted from M^r^. Holcombe on that acco^t^. the Goods now in our Warehouse belonging to him should be sold, & that sum, as well as the Customs discounted from their produce. Aga Pera sent for and Order'd to advise Cojee Gee, that its not usuall to excuse the Customs,

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JOSHUA DRAPER.

Brigantine Cornelia, Capt. William Shotbolt Master (M^r^. Rich^d^. Horden Owner) arrived from Bengall. 27TH

Ship Dianidee Fuckeer Mahomud Noquedah arrived from Ganjam. 30TH

Sloop Prince Christian Swine Carp (belonging to the Danes) Arrived from Tranquebar. —

Brigantine Adventure Capt. Thomas Hawkes Comand^r^. Arrived from Callicutt. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 30TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^. PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THO^S^. COOKE. RAND^P^. FOWKE.
RICH^D^. BENYON. JOSHUA DRAPER.
JOHN EMMERSON.

The Rev^d^. M^r^. Wendey Minister delivers in a Petition (which is enter'd after this Consultation) desiring a Pallanquin & Servants [may] be allow'd him on acco^t^. of his being oblig'd to do the duty of two Chap[lains] wch. requires him to be frequently abroad in visiting the Sick, & burying the dead. The Rev^d^. M^r^. Wendey Petitions for a Pallenquin.

AGREED that the Paym^r^. do make him a monthly allowance of Seven Pagodas for that purpose, & in consideration of his good behaviour & services particularly in the pains he took to send home a Catalogue of the Library just after his arrivall wch. the other Chaplain had neglected to do for so long time before. AGREED that he has seven Pag^s^. ℘ Mensem allow'd him for his Pallenquin.

A paper from M^r^. Catesby Oadham read regretting M^r^. Drapers admission to this board before him, & acquainting us with his standing in the H. Comp^s^. service, wch. we knew before. M^r^. Catesby Oadhams paper read, regretting M^r^. Drapers admiss^n^. to the Board.

ORDER'D that the said paper be rejected as frivolous. ORDER'D y^t^. it be rejected.

A paper from M^r^. James Hubbard upon the same subject was also read, and being esteem'd scandalous, was also As also one from M^r^. Hubbard on the same subject.

ORDER'D to be rejected. ORDER'D to be rejected.

The Expedition intended to the West Coast being taken into consideration It was at length Agreed to return the Craggs Frigat thither in Company wth. the Metchlapatam & Young Darby, as also the King William Sloop, wch. was built for the Service of Dieu Island That the Warehousek^r^. should lade on board the Crags frigat one thousand bales, as part of her Europe Cargo, in order to be filld up with The affairs of the West Coast be[ing] taken into Considera-tion, 'tis AGREED to]

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return the Craggs thither wth. the Metchlapât. Young Darby &ct. & that 1000 bales be laden aboard the Craggz as part of the Cargo for Europe.

pepper and dispatch'd from the West Coast for Europe in about August or September next, wch. is near as soon as she could be dispatch'd home were she to continue here till the season offers from hence.

Lieutenant John Gough offers his service on the Expedition to the West Coast.

The President delivers in a paper from Lieutenant John Gough Commr. of the 2d. Compa. of Soldrs. in this Garrison (as enterd after this Consultation) wherein he offers his service to go upon the intended expedition as Commandr. of the military upon the West Coast undr. the Supravizor and desiring that in such case his Company may be kept vacant for him in his absence, and that no Lieutenant may be placed thereto during that time, He also desires that in case of the Supravizors mortality, he may carry with him a power to return that he may not be detain'd there longer than is consistent wth. his inclinations, all wch. requests being judged reasonable they are Granted him, & his service be well accepted with those concessions for his encouragement.

AGREED that Lieutenant Jno. Gough do go on this expedition. also Ensign Hugh Kennedy and Peter Nangle wth. 50 men.

It is therefore AGREED that Lieutenant John Gough do go on this expedition [to the West Coast with] Hugh Kennedy & Peter Nangle and Fifty Europe Soldiers (25 whereof wth. Ensign Kennedy to be sent for from Fort St. David) & forty or fifty more they may carry with ym. from Moco Moco, the other 25 from this place.

Mr. Cooke acquaints the Board that Mr. Shelley had ask'd pardon for his reflection [&] desires the board will reinstate him wch. was AGREED to.

Mr. Cooke acquaints the Board that Mr. Peter Shelley who was lately suspended for aspersing his Character has since made a recantation, & confess'd his folly with much submission & sorrow that being a married man wth. a family, & in poor circumstances he is very unwilling to be any ways a hindrance to his getting a subsistence for himself & them, He therefore desires the Board to withdraw his suspension, wch. is AGREED to at his request.

Supravizor acquaints [the] board wth. the Names [of] sevll. Persons offering to go wth. him.

The Supravizor acquainting the Board wth. the names of sevll. persons who have voluntarily offer'd their service to go with him to ye. West Coast, the Settlement of the Council is taken into Consideration, & order'd as follows, Vizt. Mr. Issac Pyke Second & to suc[c]ed as D. Govr. upon the Suprav izrs. leaving the West Coast, Mr. Stephen Newcombe third, Mr. Thos. Wilford 4th., Mr. Geor. Beel 5th., Mr. John Acton 6th., Mr. Peter Shelley 7th., Mr. John Caulier (now at Moco Moco) 8th., & Mr. Robt. Dymond (who is also there) 9th., out of wch. the Supravizor is to have a privy Council consisting of three persons & himself Namely, Messrs. Newcombe, Beel & Dymond, wch. may assist him, (in case he finds it necessary) to determine with them the differences at Moco Moco between Messrs. Pyke & Ballet or other matters of Secrecy, or great importance and these three persons are at their liberty to return wth. him from ye. West Coast. It is also AGREED that Nathaniel Ross, who also offers his service to go over as a Factor upon this emergency, to be employ'd as Steward being an active stirring person & best qualify'd for that station, and that Arthur Crundall, Abraham Wessel, and Claude Allen Jemineau, who are Volunteers likewise, have leave to go thither.

Nathaniel Ross taken into the service as a Factor for the West Coast to be employ'd as Stewd.

Elias Cartwright appointed Gunner [for] the West Coast and that he hath 3 Europe mates.

AGREED that Elias Cartwright, (who was sent from Moco Moco, for little more than a pretended reason, as 'tis believ'd having an universal good Character from Mr. Cooke, & others who have been at the West Coast) be appointed Gunner of Fort Marlbrô & that he have three Europe Mates for his assistance with a Serang Tandell and twenty Lascars, & that John Nicholas be sent as Shipwright, all at the usuall allowances.

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The Warehousekeep^{r}. acquainting the Board that he has detected four black fellows in stealing the Comp^{s}. cloth, Warehouse-keep^{r}. reports he hath detected 4 black fellows steal^{g}. cloth.

ORDER'D that they be sent as Slaves to the West Coast. ORDER'D they be sent as slaves to the West Coast.

The Supravizor delivers in a list of such Necessarys as he thinks he shall have occasion for in this Expedition. Necessarys requisite the Expedition deliver'd in.

ORDER'D that they be provided accordingly wth. all possible Expedition. ORDER'D they be provided.

The Accomptant reads his Journal parcels for the month of March. Journal Parcel for the month of March read.

The Storekeep^{r}. delivers in lists of Timber & plank. List of Plank wants.

ORDER'D that he provide such a Quantity as is mentioned in the said Lists wch. are entred after this Consultation. ORDER'D that such quantity be provided as is mention'd in the List.

Messrs. Cooke & Benyon who were appointed by the Board to take care of M^{r}. Turtons affairs produce part of his Will, wch. most of us believe to be his own hand writing, but no Execut^{rs}. are appointed, nor is there any disposition of his Estate except a few Legacy's bequeathd. It is however ORDER'D to be entred after this Consultation. Part of a Will of M^{r}. Jno. Turton produc'd. ORDER'D to be enter'd after this Cons.

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TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRA^{S}. HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}.

Having heard of yor. intention to send a Lieut^{t}. of this Garrison wth. two Ensigns & 50 sold^{rs}. to the West Coast I take the liberty herein to Express my readyness to serve the Honble. Comp^{a}. on the occasion as Commander of the Military, wch. shall be employ'd therein under the Supraviz^{r}. If yor. Hon^{r}. shall think fitt to accept y^{s}. tender of my service, I must intreat the favour of hav^{g}. my Comp^{a}. kept vacant, for me in my absence, and that no Lieuten^{t}. be placed thereto during that time, because y^{o}. must be satisfy'd that no advantage can accrue to me, more than by being tho^{t}. Zealous for the Int^{t}. of the Honble. Comp^{a}. and the gaining their Approbation, if the desir'd success be obtain'd. In case of the Supurviz^{rs}. mortality I must request a power to return, that I may not be detain'd there longer, than will be Consistent with my Inclinations. I am in all Imaginable Respects

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HON^{BLE}. S^{R}.
Yo^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Servt.

JOHN GOUGH.

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To the Honble. Fra^{s}. Hastings, Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Council.
Honble. S^{rs}.

I beg leave to lay before you a request that arises from my acting here as sole Chaplain the whole duty now devolving on one obliges me to be frequently abroad in visiting y^{e}. sick and burying y^{e}. dead, which requires y^{e}. use of a Palankeen & servants, but not being in circumstances to defray that expence my self, desire this Honble. Board would please to ord^{r}. me such a monthly allowance as shall be thought proper for that purpose, which will always be gratefully acknowledg'd by

Fort S^{t}. Geo^{e}. Honble. S^{rs}.
Ap^{ll}. y^{e}. 30th 1720. Yo^{r}. most Obedient hum^{ble}. Servt.

Thomas Wendey.

An Acco^{t}. of what Timber & Plank will be necessary for stores for this Garrison for y^{e}. Ensuing Year Viz^{t}.

Timbers of 24 foot & upwards	50
D^{o}. from 16 to 20 Foot	50
Plank of 6 Inch thick	400
D^{o}. of 4 „	400
D^{o}. of 1 „	1000

Besides what may be wanting in subordinate Factorys.
Fort S^{t}. Geo^{e}. May y^{e}. 4th. 1720.

A List of Timber & Plank given in by M^{r}. Way Surveyor for Fort S^{t}. David.

Plank Teak of 1 Inch thick	200
D^{o}. from 4 to 6 Inches thick	100
Timbers D^{o}. of 20 Feet Long	10 or 15

Fort S^{t}. David.
Ap^{l}. y^{e}. 2^{d}., 1720. Simon Holcombe.

I, John Turton of Fort S^{t}. George in y^{e}. East Indies Merch^{t}. being by Divine permission of sound & disposing mind & memory for which I am truly thankfull to Almighty God, but know^{g}. y^{e}. Certainty of Death & y^{e}. uncertain time of its Approach make & ordain this my last Will & Testam^{t}. in manner & Form follow^{g}. My Soul with resignation waits y^{e}. Call of God y^{e}. Creator & Father of all things who gave it, and hopes, through y^{e}. mediation & intercession of my Blessed Saviour & Redeemer Jesus Christ, to be rec^{d}. into his Mansions of Bliss. I desire my Body may be decently interr'd at y^{e}. Discretion of my Trustees hereafter nam'd, & a small Tomb erected over it wth. such Inscription as they may think I have deserv'd more then a bare mention that I was born & that I Died. As for such wordly Goods as it has pleasd God to bless me with, after my Funerall Charges & Just debts are all discharg'd I dispose of them as follows. Imprimis I give & bequeath to my Executors hereafter nominated y^{e}. sum of Pag^{s}. 50 for mourn^{g}. Item I leave & bequeath to M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Benyon in Trust y^{e}. sum of Pag^{s}. 100, Item I give & bequeath to M^{rs}. Frances Lenthall & M^{r}. W^{m}. Williams formerly belong^{g}. to my Fathers family Pag^{s}. 25 each for mourning, Item I give & bequeath to M^{rs}. Mary Du Bois & M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Gilman Pag^{s}. 50 each for mourning, Item I give & bequeath to D^{r}. Thos. Robson, M^{r}. Geo^{r}. Tullie, M^{r}. Geo^{r}. Drake & M^{r}. Thos. Dunster Pag^{s}. 25 each for mourning, Item I give and bequeath to y^{e}. Charity school of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{r}. y^{e}. sum of Pag^{s}. 50 Item I give & bequeath to that Charity school of London wherein Crutched Fryars parish is concerned (I think it is that of Tower Ward) y^{e}. sum of Pag^{s}. 100, Item I give & bequeath to Christ Hospital, commonly calld y^{e}. Blew Coat, y^{e}. sum of Pag^{s}. 100, Item I give & bequeath to that Charitable Foundation of London calld y^{e}. Workhouse I think it is in Bishop Gate Street y^{e}. sum of Pag^{s}. 100, The residue & remainder of my Estate I direct shall be divided into five equall parts.

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May the 2d.

Dispatch'd a Genll. Letter to the D. Govr. & Council of Ft. St. D. datd. ys. day.

3.

This day about noon dy'd Mr. Henry Davy Regr. of the Sea Gate & Writer in the Honble. Comps. service of an inflammatory fever.

At a Consultation

Present

Francis Hastings EsqR. President & GovR.
Nathaniel Elwick. Richard Horden.
Thos. Cooke. Rand Fowke. RichD. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper.

Thursday the 5th.

Cashiere Accot. for last month [read] ballce. remg. 33952 : 10 : 75.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President his accot. of the Honble. Comps. Cash for last month read, ballance remaining Pags. 33952 : 10 : 75.

Mr. Henry Davy's Will produc'd and prov'd.

Mr. Henry Davy dying the 3d. Instant (who was Regr. of the Sea Gate) his will was produced & proved (the Witnesses being present & both sworn before the Board), Agreed that it be enter'd after this Consultation, & that Mr. Sands Davis do supply his place.

The Cowle for Egmore, &ct., expirg. Order'd the Secry. affix a note at the Sea Gate for the best bider.

The Cowle for the Villages of Egmore, &ct. expiring the 9th. of this mo. Order'd that the Secry. affix a note at the Sea Gate in the same mannr. as was done when the Beetle & Tobacco farm expir'd.

Paymr. advanc'd Pags. 4000 to defray Charges Garrison.

Order'd that four thousand Pags. be advanc'd the Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison &ct.

Agreed Mr. Wright be sent for fro Ft. St. David to take upon him the Secrys. imploy.

Agreed that Mr. Thomas Wright be sent for from Fort St. David to take upon him the Secretary's employmt. here at Mr. Draper's departure, and that Mr. Berriman act as Paymr. till further orders.

That a survey be taken of Sloop King William.

The Storekr. reporting that the King William Sloop is very much out of repair

Order'd that a Survey be taken of her by proper persons, & deliver'd in this Board, before we give ordr. to repair her.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
RichD. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
RichD. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.

In yE. Name of God Amen I Henry Davy of Fort St. Geor. being in sound mind but of weak body & Considering ye. Certainty of Death & ye. Uncertainty of its Approach do make this my last Will & Testament in manner & Form following.

Imprimis I Recommend my Soul to my Heavenly Father who gave it & my Body to be Interrd as my Executor hereafter mentiond shall see Convenient.

Item I give & bequeath to the Honble. Fra^s^. Hastings Esqr. Twenty Pag^s^. for mourning & Pag^s^. 200 as a Legacy. Requesting him to Act as my Executor.

Item I give & bequeath to my sister Elizabeth Davy Twenty Pounds for mourning wth. y^e^. remiander of my Estate after all my Lawfull Debts are paid & any Legacys that may be left me by any of my Friends.

Item I give & bequeath to my Uncle Owin Buckingham Esqr. Twenty Pounds for mourning.

Item I give & bequeath to my Aunt Eliz. Pottinger of Clapham Twenty Pounds for mourning.

Item I give & bequeath to M^r^. Sands Davis of Fort S^t^. Geo^r^. Pag^s^. 20 for mourn-ning.

I Desire that any small Debts appearing due from James Tobbin & Thos. Newton may not be Demanded.

Item I give & bequeath to my Aunt the Lady Eliz. Buckingham the sum of Twenty Pounds for mourning.

Item I give & bequeath to M^r^. Main & his wife each a p^s^. of black Taffaty & for y^e^. Respect they have always shown me I heartily recommend them to y^e^. Hon̄. Gov^rs^. favour.

I desire my slave Boy Cornell may have his Liberty. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Seal annulling & making void all other Wills which may or shall have been made by me.

I desire that y^e^. Hon̄. Govr. would Reward D^r^. Pitchear for all his Care & trouble According to his Opinion.

Henry Davy.

Loco Sig.

Sign'd Seald & Deliverd in y^e^. presence of us where no stampd paper is to be had.

Jno. Fullagar.
John Dewe.

Fort S^t^. George
2^D^. May 1720.

5TH. Ship Dianady Fuckaree Mahomud Noquedah frō. Ganjam.
6. Sloop Franc^is^. Christian Syncoys from Tranquebar.
— Ship Lynda Mahomud Hussen Noquedah Brewneuto.
7. Ship Hannover Capt. Jno. Rand from Bombay.
[*A line lost.*]

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 9TH.

Francis Hastings Esq^R^. Presid^T^. & Gov^R^.
Nathaniel Elwick. Richard Horden.
Tho. Cooke. Rand. Fowke. Rich^D^. Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper.

Land Custom^rs^. Acco^t^. for last month read.

Randall Fowke Land Custom^r^. his acco^t^. for last month read.

Choultry Customs	Pag^s^.	409	17	74
Registring Slaves		2	24	—
	Pag^s^.	412	5	74

ball^ce^. due frō him Pag. 392 : 30 : 74.

ball^c^. due from him Pag^s^. 392 : 30 : 74.

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The King William Sloop having been survey'd & found to be likely to cost more if repair'd than she is worth

The King William Sloop found to cost more repairg. then worth.

ORDER'D that the Storekr. dispose of her at outcry for as much as she will yeild, and that the sd. report be entred after this Consultation.

Order'd she be dispos'd of at Outcry.

The Sea Customer acquaints the Board that he has recd. ashore from the Portugueze Galliotte 10 Chests & 2 small Guns, & that he sealed up the former in the presence of Messrs. Elwick & Benyon as also the Capt.

Sea Customr. acquaints the Board that he has recd. 10 small Chests fro on board ye. Galliot.

AGREED that the Presidt. do write to the Viceroy of Goa to give him an Accot. of this matter by the 1st. Opportunity.

AGREED that the Presidt. write to the Vice Roy of Goa to give him an Accot. of this matter.

The Paymr. acquaints the Board that there are not Tents of the Honble. Comps. sufficient for the intended Expedition to the West Coast, & that Mr. Way offers one for sale wth. a very good Marcuy for one hundred and Twenty Pags.

Paymr. acquaints ye. Board there are not Tents suffict. for the West Coast yt. Mr. Way has one for sale.

ORDER'D that he do purchase the same.

ORDER'D that he purchase it.

Joshua Draper Secry. delivers in an Accot. Currt. of the Choultry Dubashes Estate, as entred after this Consultation, the ballance whereof being Pagodas Two hundred & fifty nine 30 fas. & 32 Cash, he now pays in the same.

The Choultry Dubash his accot. Currt. deliver'd in, ballce. Pags. 259 : 30 : 32.

ORDER'D that one half be confiscatd. to the Honble. Compa. & the other half to the Choultry according to a former ordr.

That one half be forfeited to the Compy. & the other to the Choultry.

Genll. Letter from Metchlapatam read also a short one from Fort St. David datd. ye. 5th. Instant ℔ the Danes Sloop on whom came Ensign Kennedy wth. 25 men design'd for the West Coast.

Genll. Letters fro. Metchlapatm. and Ft. St. Davids read.

Lewis Mellicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine License pays in Pags. 333 : 12. for last mo. Rent of that Farm.

Farmr. of the arrack and Wine lycense ps : in Pags. 333 : 12 : —

The President produces four Letts. (superscribed in Portugueze) from the Viceroy of Goa's Minister, as follow's in English.

The Presdt. produces 4 Letters fro. the Vice Roy of Goa's Minister to several Persons.

One to Colloway Chitty, Ball Chitty, Nallapa Chitty & Marr Chitty &ct. Chittys at Madrass.

Three to Signr. Francisco Pereira their Agent.

The said Letts. being read & Explain'd by Lewis Madeira were ORDER'D to be translated & Copys to be transmitted home.

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Capt. Wynne Commr. of the Craggs represents that he is in want of Provisions & That his ship was very much out of repair.

Capt. Wynne Commr. of the Craggs Frigat delivers in a paper wch. is enter'd after this Consultation, alledging that he has not Provisions enough for the Voyage, that the Reason of his Scantyness thereof arises from an unexpected number of Soldiers coming on board him Just before he left the Down's and also from his taking aboard a great number of people at St. Helena, and not being able to procure much at Batavia or the West Coast ; Mr. Pyke being sent for was asked concerning these things who reply'd that the Garrison at St. Helena was always stored with a great quantity of Salt provisions sent from England on Purpose to Supply the Shipping that touch'd there and that he got at Batavia what Quantity he ask'd for, and believes he could have procured a great deal more if he had desir'd it, Captain Wynn being present, & having himself confronted, complained that his sails were worn out very much with the excessive rains at ye. West Coast, and being ask'd how many setts of sails he brot. wth. him from England (his Obligation in Charterparty to make all provision of these kinds being shown to him) he reply'd that he had one new sett wch. had never been in the water, Whereupon he was told that the board did not esteem these as other than evasions, & therefore ORDER'D him a 2d. time to get his ship in a Readyness to proceed on the Voyage to the West Coast from whence he should be dispatch'd to Batavia, where he would have an Opportunity to Victuall, & from thence he might go for Engld.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Pyke, Bond, &ct. take a survey & make their report.

ORDER'D that Mr. Pyke, Capt. Bond, Gunnr. Hugonin, Gunnr. Cartwright & David Murray the Gunnrs. Chief Mate here do go on board the Craggs Frigat, to survey her, & that they deliver in a Report of her Condition the next Consultation.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HON. SR. &CT.

We have found ye. followg. Deficiency in the Comps. Sloop.

Imprimis her Bottom Plank being Europe & very thin by ye. Length of time Exposed to ye. heat are most part shatter'd & dry Rotten will not Bear caulking.

Secondly her stem & starn posts are also very bad.

Thirdly sundry floor Timbers are dry Rotten, to ye. truth of which we have hereunto sett our hands.

FORT ST. GEOR.
MAY 5TH. 1720.

WILL : HURST.
ALLEN WATT.
STEPN. WORLIDGE.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CT. OF FORT ST. GEOR.

HONBLE. SR. &CE.

After Mr. Draper at ye. Consultation of ye. 5th. Inst. had Read that very Long Paper wch. he Term'd his Defence We did desire Yor. Honr. &ct. would give yor. opinions whether there were not words in ye. said paper highly reflecting on some

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Members of this Board, but as you were pleasd to deny us that reasonable request, Justice to our selves obleiges us to Lay this before this Honble. Board, that it may be Enterd upon ye. Consultations in ordr. to have ye. opinions of our Honble. Masters to whom we appeal upon this occasion. We are

MADRAS
YE. 9TH. MAY 1720.

HONBLE. SR. &CT.
Yor. most Obedt. humble. SERVTS.

NATH. ELWICK.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.

TO THE HON. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEOR. &CT. COUNCIL.

HON. SR. &CT.

Whereas you are pleased to ordr. ye. Craggs Frigat, to return to ye. West Coast I humbly crave leave to lay before yor. Honr. &ct. ye. necessitys we at present ly undr. upon our first fitting out were sufficiently provided with all sorts of provisions for 30 months but upon our Coming away had forty Soldiers ordd. on board, more than were at first design'd, & 25 Passengers taken in at St. Helena makes near double ye. Number of my ships Comps. who by their long Continuance on board have almost Exhausted all my Provisions notwithstandg. ye. Care I have taken to Supply my Self, both at Batavia & on ye. West Coast wth. whatever I possibly could, yor. Honr. &ct. are also sensible ye. West Coast, is no place where a man can fitt his ship, especially in ye. North West monsoon as our sails & water casks, are sufficient proofs, ye. Latter perticularly wch. are very much damag'd by ye. Vermin, bred by ye. Damps, the ships likewise being new will require twice the time in Caulking another would do. These things I begg you will take into Consideration.

FORT ST. GEOR.
MAY YE. 9TH. 1720.

I AM YOR. HONRS. &CT.
most Obedt. Humble. Servt.

JOHN WYNN.

DR. THE ESTATE OF VIRAGO CHOULTRY DUBASH CR.

To Cash pd. the Cryer ... Pags.	—	18	—	By Accot. Sales of Sevl. house Moveables	Pags. 7	12	40
To Do. pd. Cooly hire ...	—	6	—	By Cash recd. of Corrupa Chittee for his debt ...	5	22	40
To Comm. on ye. ℔ Contra ...	13	25	48	By Accot. sales of two houses Vizt.			
To Ballce. pd: ye. Hon. President. in Consul. the 30 Apll.	259	30	32	One in ye. Pedda Naiques petta qt. in length 51 feet & in breadth 30 feet sold for	34	9	–
				One in ye. Choultry Street with upper rooms 51 feet long & 45 broad sold for ...	227	–	–
Pags.	274	8	—	Pags. ...	274	8	–

FORT ST. GEOR.
APRILL YE. 30TH. 1720.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
℔ JOSHUA DRAPER
Secry.

Ship Daniel Capt. Daubandee from Surat. 9TH.
Ship Pembrooke Capt. Jacob Bernard to Bengall. —
Ship Stratford Capt. Jonathan Willson from Surat. 12TH.
Ship Severn Capt. Henry Cave from Surat. 16TH.

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— Ship Cornelia Galley Capt. John West to Bengall.

— Brigantine Santa Maria, Capt. Coja Matteine frō. Porto Novo.

— Ship Lusitania Capt. Thos. Dixon from Goa.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 16TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RAND: FOWKE. R. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Mint Accot. for last month read ballce. due from him Pags. 479 : — : 30 & Rups. 1269 : 7 : —.

Fras. Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster his accot. for last month read ballance due from him Pags. 479 : — : 30 & Rups. 1269 : 7 : — the former he now pays in & the latter delivers the Impt. Warehousekeepr.

Genll. Lettrs from Ft. St. David datd. the 9th. and 11th. Insts. read.

Genll. Lettrs. from Ft. St. David of the 9th. & 11th. Instant read inclosing a List of the men sent hither upon the Danes Sloop, & an account of their Aims, their Storekeeprs. accot. of the Metchlapatam's Expences while there, also their old & new Merchants accounts for last month the ballance of the latter being Pags. 5033 : 25 : 59.

The Presidt. delivers a Lettr. rec'd from Capt. Wynn but he being dead ORDER'D no notice be taken of it but enter'd after ys. Conš.

The President delivers in a paper from Capt. Wynne Commr. of ye. Craggs frigat, wch. was sent him about three days ago, but the said Commr. having departed this life yesterday, no other notice is ORDER'D to be taken of it, than the entry of it after this Consultation.

Mr. Blake Cheif mate sent for and confirm'd in the Command of the Craggs & was Ordd. to get her [in] readiness.

The Capt. of the Craggs being dead Mr. Blake the Cheif Mate was Order'd to be sent for, who appearing before the Board, was confirm'd in the Command of the ship, & Order'd to get her in a readyness for the intended Voyage wth. all possible Expedition, & he accordingly gave his Promise to the Board.

Poncola Kistna makes an offer of renting the Villages &ct. of Egmore wch. was deferr'd till next Conš.

Poncala Kistna Appears before the Board and makes a proposal of Renting the Villages of Persiawauk & Egmore &ct. in case we would make an abatement in the rent, but the Board not thinkg. it proper by any means to agree to that article, deferr'd the Consideration of this affair to the next Consultation.

Genll. Letter from the Presidt. and Council of Bombay. datd. 16th. Ulto.

Genll. Lettr. from the President & Council of Bombay datd. the 16o. ulto. read, advising their rupture wth. Angria, & the dispatch of ships Townshend & Hannover for Great Brittain, the last of which arrived here the 7th. Instant.

ORDER'D the Books and papers of Mr. Jno. Turton be laid before the Board.

ORDER'D that the Books & papers of Mr. John Turton decd. be laid before the Board, that any of the Members may Inspect them at their leisure.

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Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pagodas 583 : 12 : for last m°. rent of that Farm, also Pag^s. 136 : 24. for two m°. rent of the Measuring Farm ending the 20th. Ult°. Tobacco Farmr. ps. in Pags. 583 : 12 from last Months rent of that farm.

The Dep^ty. Govr. & Councill of F^t. S^t. David recommend^g. in their last lett^r. Sergeant Thos. Madoux for an Ensign in the place of Ensign Kennedy AGREED that the President do give him Com̃. accordingly. Thos. Madoux of Ft. St. David made an Ensign.

Capt. Bond having been by the Letter from Bombay dispatch'd to England ORDER'D that the Sec^ry. demand his reasons in writing for this Deviation, they are accordingly deliv^d. in & entred hereafter. The Secry. Order'd to demand of Capt. Bond the reason for deviatg. in his Voyge.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH^D. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HON^BLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R.
PRESID^T. & GOV^R. OF FORT S^T. GEORGE &C^T. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^T.

Having seriously consider'd upon my necessity in this Voyage proposed, wch. is that at our coming out of England the forty Soldiers were put on board just at our coming away, when it was impossible to get a supply of provisions, that number was also Augmented by twenty five persons coming on board at S^t. Helena where I could have no recruit likewise, wch. has exhausted them very much. Then at our arriving on the West Coast, Fort Marlbrô not being in y^e. Possession of the English, was obliged to keep them longer on board, by wch. means am reduced to so miserable a Streight, that I have no more than six weeks provisions on board, M^r. Drake was pleas'd to tell me he believ'd he could have twelve Casks ready in Twenty days, but I am fully satisfy'd that the provisions of this Country cannot keep any time at sea & should they prove bad must run the Risque of perish^g. by want, & should that happen, it must be a great loss to the Comp^a. and the Own^rs. besides our own lives. This I beg you'll be pleas'd to take into yor. Consideration & am

YO^R. HON^R. &C^TS.
Most Obed^t. Servant.
JOHN WYNN.

FORT S^T. GEO^R.
MAY 12TH. 1720.

TO DITTO.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^T.

My reasons for coming to this Port after I was dispatch'd for England from Bombay, having been demanded of me by yor. Hon^r. &c^t. I am to acquaint y°. in an answ^r. that I was not dispatch'd from Bombay till the 12th. of Febry, & then wth. only 300 bales for Carwarr where I was obliged to shift my ship, & stay a m°. and upwards in doing that, & taking in about 350 Tons of pepper, from thence I was sent the 19th. of March for Tellicherry to Compleat my loading, wch. I could not effect till the 7th. of April following, when I sail'd however, but meeting wth. southerly winds & those so strong, as to prevent me from getting off the Malabar Coast till the 25th. I Judged it then too late to attempt to get abo^t. the Cape & therefore I thought it adviseable to make for this Port in ord^r. to lye till the season serves for that purpose, I am

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^T.
Yo^r. Most H. Servt.
JOHN BOND.

MAY 15TH. 1720.

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17TH. Brigantine Lusa Mr. Orm Owner frō. Goa.

— Ship King George Capt. Timothy Tullie frō. Suratt.

18TH. Ship St. Christiania from Maucaw.

21ST. Sloop Francis Christian Syn Corp tō : Trinquebar.

23RD. Ship Severn Capt. Henry Cave to Bengall.

— Ship Daniel Capt. Daubandee to Ditto.

— Brigantine Adventure Capt. Thos. Hawks to ditto.

25TH. Ship Windsor Capt. William Guillim from Surat.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY THE 24TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANLL. ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THO: COOKE. RAND: FOWKE. RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Expt. Warehousekeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due from him Pags. 641 : 10 : 69.

Nath. Elwick Expt. W.h.kr. his Accot. for last mo. read balle. due from him Pags. 641 : 10 : 69 & he reports that there is one Garse of Paddy wasted this last year & 1 : 19 : 10 (Can. md. lb.) of Sugar & 19 (md.) of Sugar Candy wasted within these 2 years past wch. he has Carrd. to Proffit & Loss.

Impt. Warehousekeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due frō. him Pags. 1455 : 34 : 18 wch. he ps. in

Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekr. his accot. for last mo. read ballce. due from him Pags. 1455 : 34 : 18 wch. he now pays in.

Paymrs. Accot. for last month read.

Thomas Cooke Paymr. his Accot. for last mo. read Vizt.

Chas. Garrison ... ... Pags.	1892	11	50
Chas. Generall	815	32	65
Fort St. David	54	12	20
Charges Cattle	133	4	—
Charles's Point	207	6	70
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortifications	629	25	40
New Warehouse	48	14	70
Mint	52	25	50
Chas. Extraordinary	11	24	50
Charges Dyett	394	2	70
Dyett & Stores laid in	440	19	11
Marlbrô Fort	120	—	—
Pags.	4810	—	16

ballce. due to him Pags. 1810 wch. is ORDd. to be pd.

ballance due to him Pags. 1810 wch. is ORDER'D to be paid him.

THE EXTRY. EXPENSES ARISE AS FOLLOWS :—

CHAS. GENTL. for 8050 dammrs. laid in for a 12 (mo.) store	100	22	40			
Salt petre for 7 : 2 : 8 (Can. md. lb.) expended by ye. Sr. Stewd. for ye. year past.	88	34	15			
				189	20	55

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Fort S. David paid Mr. Ways chas. of his Journey & stay there ...	......	54	12	20
Chas. Point for workmen & materials this mo.	......	207	6	70
Dieu Island paid the Gunnrs. Mate.	......	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortifications Vizt.				
Repairing the Town Wall ...	Pags. 573 : 7 : 5			
Incident repairs	56 : 18 : 35			
		629	25	40
New Warehouse paid Workmen & Materials this mo.	......	48	14	70
Mint paid do.	......	52	25	50
Marlbrô Fort paid Mr. Way for a large Tent	......	120	—	—
	Pags.	1311	33	65

Randall Fowke Land Customr. pays in Pags. 392 : 30 : 74 in full of the ballance of his last months Accot.

Richd. Benyon Storekr. his accot. for last mo. read ballance due from him Pags. 967 : 9 : 40 and delivers in an accot. of sevll. things decayed & Wasted in the Storehse. a list whereof is entred after this Consultation.

Storekeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due from him Pags. 967 : 9 : 40.

Order'd that two thousand Pagods. be advanced the Export Warehousekr. for provision of Goods for the West Coast.

Order'd the Warehouskeepr. be advanced Pags. 2000 for provision of Goods.

The Paymr. represents that the Choultry is so much decay'd that it is ready to fall down, & that the Gunnr. has frequently apply'd to him for a lodging room to be built adjoyning to the half moon bastion for his mate that he may be near his business, as also that the half moon bastion wants sevll. repairs.

The Paymr. represents that the Choultry is much out of repair & that the Gunr. desires a room to be built adjoyng. the half Moon Bastion.

Order'd that the Paymr. set about the same forthwth.

Order'd the Paymr. set abot. it.

Capt. Bond & Mr. Hugonin, two of those who were Order'd to survey the ship Craggs having been Prevented by indisposition from complying therewth. Messrs. Pyke Cartwright & Murray, deliver in a Report of her survey, as entred after this Consultation.

The Survey of ship Craggs reported as enter'd after this Cons.

Capt. Blake Commr. of the said ship likewise delivers in a paper as entred after this Consultation, by wch. & also by the aforemd. Report it appears that the Craggs frigot is not in a Condition to undertake forthwith the Voyage to the West Coast & home (for wch. we deliver'd him a written order the 30th. ulto.) as well on accot. of the leakyness of the ship, as on accot. of her scantyness of provisions and whereas we have assisted him in salting up a large Quantity for the intended Voyage that no Remora might be put to our expedition on that Accot. (wch. he has thought fitt to reject) & Whereas our Honble. Masters may be great sufferers by the Charge wch. they have been put to thereby, as also by havg. their Expedition retarded, & particularly by the payment of demorage at the Rate of £ 8 : 19 : 6 ℔ diem, It is

Capt. Blake reports that his ship is not in a condition to proceed her Voyage.

Agreed & Resolved to protest against the said Capt. Thos. Blake Commr. of the said ship Craggs Frigot as also her Charterparty men & Ownrs. for all losses and damages wch. our Honble. Masters may sustain by the said Ship Craggs frigots not being in a Condition for ther. service from the time it was demanded in form being the 30th. of the last month, a Copy of wch. Protest is Order'd to be enter'd after this Cons.

Agreed & Resolv'd to protest agst. the sd. Capt. Blake, her Charterparty men and owners and that the sd. Protest be enter'd after his Cons.

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ORDER'D the first ship that arrives fro. Europe be sent on that expediti.

ORDER'D that the first ship wch. shall arrive from Europe of the Honble. Comps. be sent on the intended expedition to the West Coast in ye. room of the Craggs Frigot.

Mr. Duncan Munro sometime ago Surgeon's mate arrs. here from the Malabar Coast ORD'd he be entertaind a surgeon of this place in the room of Mr. Robson decd.

Mr. Duncan Munro who was some time ago Surgeons Mate of this place, & had behav'd himself to satisfaction, being arrived from the Malabar Coast, whither he had gone a Voyage,

ORDER'D that he be entertain'd as Surgeon of this Garrison Mr. Robson being lately dead, and we being in want of an able man there being a great mortality in the place.

Mr. Hopkins entertain'd as Surgeon for the West Coast.

There being [*a few words lost*] Mr. Hopkins (late Surgeon of the [Boneta]) who offers his service to go as Surgeon to the West Coast.

He is also AGREED to be entertain'd.

Mr. Sands Davis being weake of constitution & not able to discharge the business of Regr. of the Sea Gate

Mr. Sands Davis who was lately appointd. Sea Gate Regr. being very much indisposed, & unable on that accot. to undergo the fatiegue of that business, It is

AGREED that Mr. Russon and ye. sd. Sands Davis do discharge their Imployes.

AGREED that Mr. John Russon be remov'd to the Sea Gate to be Regr. there in the room of Mr. Davis, who is Order'd to succeed him in his place of Regr. of the Choultry.

Commn. produc'd for Mr. Madoux as Ensign at Ft. St. David's.

The Secry. produces an Ensigns Commn. for seizg. Thos. Madoux at Fort St. David wch. is sign'd by the Presidt. & ORDER'D to be sent thither.

A Codicil of Capt. Wynn's will produced, & the wittnesses sworn.

A Codicil to the last Will & Testament of Capt. John Wynn was produced & read, whereupon the witnesses appear'd & were sworn as usuall.

ORDER'D to be enter'd aftr. Cons.

ORDER'D that the same be enter'd after this consultation.

Genll. Letters read Vizt.

From St. Helena datd. 29 June 1719.

F om St. Helena datd. the 29th. June 1719 found in Capt. Wynns Escrutore.

From Ft. St. David datd. 19th Inst.

From Ft. St. David datd. the 19th. instant.

From Bengll. datd. 9th. Ulto.

From Bengall datd. the 9th. ulto.

From Callicut datd. 4th. May.

From Callicutt datd. the 4th. May wth. advices of sundrys left in their hands by Messrs. Curgenven & Harnage in the Charlotta supposed to be taken by Angria.

From Vizagapat. datd. the 4th. Ulto.

From Vizagapatam datd. the 4th. ulto.

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The Affair of the Chitty's being Reassum'd, the Board after some debate came to a Resolution to bring them personally to Appear the next Consultation, that they may answer for the Crimes wth. wch. they now stand charged. **The Chittys affair reasum'd.**

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF MADRASS &CA. COUNCIL.

May it please your Honrs. to know that in Obedience to your order and Command we whose names are hereunto subscribed being appointed to survey the Ship Craggs Friggot do humbly Certify that we have surveyed the said Ship within board and without and she appears to us to be a strong new ship and in good order and Condition.

We asked the Carpenter what water the ship made, he said 6 inches in 12 hours we asked him if he cou'd not stop that Leak which let in the 6 Inches water in 12 hours he said he cou'd do it very well but it must be in smoother water than there is here at present here being now too great a swell and he said he did not take it to be a Leak but that the ship wanted Caulking near the waters Edge but her Bottom is tight.

We ask'd him how this Ship came to want so much Caulking he said she lay a long time on the West Coast and Rode out several great storms and that she being a new Ship it was usual for a new Ship to want more Caulking than a ship at a second Voyage. The Carpenter desired us to note it is not usual to fit ships here for a Voyage Home and that this place is not Convenient for it because he must reap off the Cants of the Lower whales to come to the Seam under them and to search the Butts and scarfes of both the Whales & that in all new ships it is necessary so to do or else the Goods will be Damaged.

We ask'd him in how long time the ship could be fitt to take in Goods and have all that work done he spoke of and what other work should be necessary he said in 20 days more but if the weathr. were favourable than in 17 or 18 days for he said that work must be done upon a stage we ask'd him if he cou'd not work on a stage now, he desired us to go about the ship in a Boat and see if we cou'd then stand upon a stage. Whereupon Mr. Pyke desired the Carpenter to go in the Yawl with Mr. Cartwright and Mr. Murray who went and look'd at the Ships Whales afore and abaft and when they came in were ask'd if they thought any man could work on a stage in such Weather they said that after the Change of the Moon fairer weather & smoother water might be expected but that the Ship must be lightend more & heeled.

As to the Caulking the ships Decks and her upper works they are about it and seem to work hard but as a new ship does require more Caulking than another ship we believe it may take up as much time as the Carpenter mentions to fit her for a Voyage as she ought to be.

In Testimony hereof we have hereunto Subscribed our names this 25th. day of May A. Domini 1720 on Board the said Ship Craggs is [...].

Mr. Cartwright and Mr. Murray before the paper was signd desired that it might be added in proper place that this work doing Depends on the fairness of the weather

and that if done here they do question whether it can be done so secure as it ought to be.

Isaac Pyke.
Elias Cartwright.
David Murray.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t. & Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George &c^a. Council.

The most humble representation of Thomas Blake Commander of the Ship Craggs Sheweth that as soon as your Hon^r. &c^a. had thought fitt to Confirm him in his Command of the said Ship as Successor to Capt. John Wynn Deceasd he repaird on Board and has order'd an Exact Account of all Stores, Provisions &c^a. to be taken that are at present on Board which Accounts are now writing out in order to be laid before your Hon^r. &c^a.

I do also humbly Represent to your Hon^r. &c^a. that not two hours before we sett sail from the Downes we had thirty men sent on Board as Soldiers in the Honble. Companys service wholy unknown and Unexpected by us before they having been shipd on Board another ship; and that because of maintaining them about nine months on those provisions laid in for the Ships Company we have all been Reduc'd to very great Straits.

That during the said nine months many of the said Soldiers fell sick which occasion'd the Expence of most of our medicines and by the blessing of God with very good advantage there having been but one of all the soldiers dyed of sickness during the whole Passage and though we Carried four Chests of Medicines of the Honble. Companys to the West Coast, out of which M^r. Pyke often promised we shou'd be recruted for what our Docter had used for the aforesaid Soldiers and for thirty eight of the Companys Coffree Slaves belonging to their late Settlement at Bencoolen which we took in at Battavia, and though when we came to Moco Moco M^r. Ballet was Informd and seemd sattisfied of w^tt. had been done and told us he wou'd make good M^r. Pykes promise in that particular yet when we had deliver'd those medicines all on shoar (which were the Intire quantitys sent to Fort Marlbrough for the whole West Coast) we coud never gett any Recruit of medicines from the said M^r. Ballet.

That because of the Scantiness of our provissions and the badness of them we have been able to procure abroad the Officers and Sailers on board the ship have made many heavy and not unjust Complaints.

That on our Arrivall here (where we promised our selves and the people all proper redress to those Complaints for their future encouragement) yet the fresh provisions we have been able to procure though the best price is paid for them have been so Extreemly bad that the people on Board have refused to eat them Aledging it to be sickly and infected meat and not better than Carreign; they have throw'd over board several Cows and after some days fasting have killd and eat the Capt^s. Hoggs and after them have fed upon the English salt Provisions, many of them declaring that they were resolv'd not to proceed the Voyage unless a Sufficient quantity of wholsome Provisions were laid in for them.

That since Capt. Wynns death in order to pacify the people on Board I have sent off fouls goats &c^a. but to Continue feeding seventy five men on such provisions were an Extravigancy the Owners would never allow it amounting to more than the ships Freight would pay for.

That upon making proof of one of the best peices of meat salted here I find it so eaten up with salt that it will be nothing elce in a months space, and have been informd likewise that at least 20 beast may be packed up in one Cask they being so Extreamly small and lean so that I can in no ways rely on those Provisions.

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These premises being taken into Consideration I hope your Hon[r]. &c[a]. will not Oblige me to take off such salted meat as when fresh the people as above have refused to eat least by any Mutiny or Insurection in the ship we should be obliged instead of prosecuting our intended Voyage to make some fatal Deviation to seek proper food, the unhappy Consequences whereof might reach farther than at first veiw can be Descernd.

As to the fitness of the ship to proceed on this intended Voyage she is a new ship and good yet wants such necessary work to be done to her as may take up time to perform in this Road which because your Hon[r]. &c[a]. should be fully sattisfied in and the necessity thereof, I humbly pray you would be pleasd to appoint her to be survey'd least my repeating these repairs should look like an unwillingness to proceed on the Voyage which is far from me.

I hope your Hon[r]. &c[a]. will please in a case of so great Consequence to excuse my earnestness in representing a thing which to my weak judgment appears so Obviously to Concern the welfare and Preservation of the ship, so many lives and the Hon[ble]. Companys Estate I am

FORT S[T]. GEORGE
MAY 24. 1720.

HON[D]. S[R]. &c[A]. with the utmost respect
Your Hon[rs]. &c[a]. most Obedient and most humble servant.

THOMAS BLAKE.

FORT S[T]. GEORGE,
MAY THE 25TH. 1720.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN Whereas I John Wynn Mariner of London did some time since make my last Will & Testament in London which I left in the hands of my loving Wife Susanna Wynn which Will I hereby approve and Confirm in all the parts thereof yet for as much as I have gott here in India Monies Goods and Effects, and I being desireous that the same be taken care of and improved to the best advantage for my Family I Desire will and order that this present writing may be esteemd and be as a Codicil to my said last Will and Testament and because Sundry of my Effects which are part of my Estate mentiond in my aforesaid Will cannot in these Remote parts Immediately fall into the hands of my Executors mentioned in my aforesaid Will I do therefore hereby Nominate, and appoint my loving friends Thomas Blake, John Packer & Tutchen Martin to be Trustees to all and singular of my Effects & Estate in India to act in relation to the same with the same power as if my Executors themselves were present taking care however that as they are only Trustees of such parts of my Estate as is abroad in India they do yeild and give an exact account of all their Transactions therein to my aforesaid Executors at their return into England and I desire my aforesaid Trustees to Invest such of my Estate as they shall find uninvested in such Goods and Comoditys as they shall judge will turn most to the proffit and advantage of my Family taking therein the advice of my friends particularly M[r]. Thomas Theobalds Merchant in this place and though this paper cannot at this great Distance be adjoynd to my Will at present yet 'tis my desire that it be Receiv'd as part thereof and be as a Codicil thereto in Testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand in the presence of the underwritten witnesses this fourteenth day of May Anno seventeen hundred and twenty.

JOHN WYNN.

This paper was published and Declared to be as a Codicil and part of Cap[t]. John Wynns last will and Testament in the presence of us.

JAMES CHATELLIER.
FRANCIS HEAPE.
WILLIAM ADAMS.

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To Cap^T. Thomas Blake
Commander of Ship Craggs Frigat.

We Francis Hastings Esqr. President and Govern^r. for Affairs of the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. George having the 30th. Ult^o. orderd your Ship Craggs Frigate to be gott in readiness to proceed from hence to the West Coast of Sumatra and from thence to England and having since receiv'd several papers signd by Capt. John Wynn lately Deceas'd and also one signd by your self wherein your said ship Craggs Frigatt is Represented to be not in a Condition to undertake the aforesaid Voyage in pursuance of our orders by reason of her not being well and sufficiently Victuald and stored and whereas her Commander and part owners have by Charter Party bearing date the 2^d. January 1718 obliged themselves to keep the said Ship Craggs Frigatt well and sufficiently Victuald and furnishd with all necessary stores to Enable her to go as well from Port to Port in India as from England to India to be imploy'd in Trade and as in Warrfare if so required by the Hon : Company or their assig[ns] and whereas further more you the said Capt. Thos : Blake have in a paper bearing date the 24th. Inst^t. represented the Condition of your Ship Craggs to be such (as well with Respect to the ship as her Provissions) as we can by no means think it safe to depend on for the security of the Hon : Companys Estate and for the performance of the intended Voyage, and whereas you have thought fit to excuse your scantiness of Provisions by the Plea of having thirty Soldiers sent on board you unexpectedly in the Downs we think it necessary to tell you that we Esteem it no Plea at all because you had it in your Power to recruit at S^t. Helena which is a Garrison that is always kept fully stored for the Supply of Shipping and we cannot learn that you had any other Excuse because for making a Deviation to Battavia in your outward Passage than the getting a Supply of Salt Provisions which we are well assured might easily have been procured, and whereas to prevent all delays in our Expedition to the West Coast we have thought fitt to assist you salting of a sufficient quantity of Provisions for your Voyage and have been at a large expence on that Account which Provisions you have nevertheless Rejected and whereas by the report of a survey made and signd by Messrs. Isaac Pyke, Elias Cartwright and David Murray bearing date the 24th. Inst^t. the said Ship Craggs Friggatt does not appear to be in a Condition to enter forthwith upon her Intended Voyage but will require Considerable time to Refitt ; We the said President and Council aforesaid finding our design'd Expedition to the West Coast thereby much Retarded to the very great Detrement of the Hon. Company as well by Loss of time (which may perhaps Occasion the Intire Loss of the West Coast) as by the charge of Demurrage from the 30 Ultimo (being the time when the service of the Craggs Friggat was Demanded for the West Coast) and apprehending severall Losses and inconveniences will accrue to the said Honble. Company by the said ship Craggs Friggat not being in a Condition for our Service, We the President and Council aforesaid do therefore for and in Behalf of the Honble. Company aforesaid Protest against you Thomas Blake Commander of the said Ship Craggs Friggat as also the Charter Party men and the Owners of her the said ship for all Losses and Damages by Demurrage or other ways which the Honble. Company aforesaid may sustain by the said ship not being in a Condition to proceed on her Voyage to the West Coast and home for which a written order was deliver'd Capt. John Wynn the Commander the 30th. day of last month whose Inability to Comply with that order renders this Protest of full force and Vertue from that day. In Witness whereof We have hereunto sett our hands this 27th. day of May one thousand seven hundred and twenty.

Francis Hastings.
Nath^ll. Elwick.
Rich^d. Horden.
Thomas Cooke.
Rand^l. Fowke.
Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.

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This Protest was deliverd to Captain Thomas Blake Commander of the Craggs Friggatt this 21st. day of May 1720 by the hands of

JOSHUA DRAPER,
Secry.

An Accot. of sundrys wrote off by the Storekeepr. as being wasted, lost and render'd useless Vizt.

Genll. Stores	Pags.	37	17	30
Iron Europe 12 ℔ lost by rust		25	3	—
Rod Iron 1 ℔ ℔ qr.		2	16	—
Nails 1 - 1		5	18	60
Cordage Europe lost by drying		24	33	60
Salt petre fine 1 Candy wasted & dry		18	12	—
Sea Coals 2 Chaldron wasted		8	—	—
Bees wax 5 md. worm eaten		8	9	—
Tarr 2 barr. 10 Galls. wasted & dry'd		10	2	—
Gunpowder Europe 370 dam̃ ℔ ℘' ship Emelia ...		14	35	70
Gunnrs. Stores		55	19	58
Armory Stores		11	30	—
	Pags.	222	17	38

Ship Windsor Capt. William Guillim Commr. arrd. from Surat. 25TH.

Dispatch'd a Genll. Lettr. to the Depty. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David of this days date. 28TH.

Ship Mary Mr. John Clarke Ownr. arrived from Surat. 30TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 30TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RAND: FOWKE. R. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

Richard Horden Sea Customr. his accot. for last mo. read Vizt.

Sea Customrs. Accot. for last Month read.

Custom on Goods imported & Exported	Pags.	1969	15	10
Ditto on Grain		634	5	—
Anchorage		40	18	—
	Pags.	2644	2	10

ballance due from him Pags. 11077 : 9 : 70 whereof he now pays in Pagodas Four thousand and represents, that the reason for so large a ballance standing out, is because the Major part of it is for the last mos. Custom wch. could not be collected in so soon.

ballce due from him Pags. 11077 : 9 : 70 he ps. in Pags. 10000 [*sic*] & attributes the large ballce. to the last Months Custom.

The Danes being at war wth. the Moors, and having begun to take their ships, the Moors who trade to this Port are very much terrify'd and don't care for stirring out of our road, unless something is done for their Security wch. being a thing of great consequence to the trade of this place, It's

The Moors desire our protection from the Deanes.

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Agreed That the Moors of this Presidcy. wear English Colours.

Agreed to permitt all Moors ships belonging to this port, the wearing English colours occasionally at sea, provided they carry wth. them one of our Nation for their Maintenance, & our Pass.

The Town rent mony demanded by the Nabob.

The Nabob having made a demand for the Town rent money of this place, & the same being due,

Order'd it be pd. beg. Pags. 1200.

Order'd that Twelve hundred Pags. be paid out of Cash for that purpose.

The Stewds. report relatg. to the provisions for the West Coast of their being in bad condition

The Steward delivers in an Accot. of the provisions recd. from Fort St. David for the West Coast, by wch. it appearing that severall of them are dead, & others likely to dye

Order'd they be dispos'd of to the best advantage.

Order'd that they be disposed of to the best advantage, (except a few of the best, wch. may be kept & salted up) the Expedition being deferr'd till a ship arrives from Europe, wch. will undoubtedly want no salt provisions.

Order'd 6 months salary be advanc'd the Junr. servts. design for the West Coast.

Order'd that Six mo. Salary be advanc'd the Junr. Servts. design'd for the West Coast, to be paid them from the time they were chosen.

Order'd 6 months Impress money be advanc'd the Serang &ct. going thithr.

Order'd that 6 mo. Impress money be advanc'd by the Paymr. to the Serang Tandell & Lascars, now going thither.

Mr. Elwicks proposal of shipg. on board the Craggs. 100 Tons of redwood for the Bay [— and Mr.] Drapers ansr. twill be dis[advantage on accot. of] Protest given the Capt.

Mr. Elwick makes a Proposal to the Board of shipping one hundred Tons of reddwood fret. free on board the Craggs frigot for Bengall according to the President & Councils desire in one of their late letters; Mr. Draper thereupon acquainted the Board, that as the Commander had lately recd. a protest from us, whereby his demorage was taken off, by reason of his ships not being fitt for the Comps. present service. He is of Opinion, the putting any Goods on board her now, would invalidate that protest so far, as to renew her demorage immediately thereupon and consequently would be a considerable loss to the Honble. Compa. whereas the Reddwood may as well be sent down upon one of the ships expected from England, wch. usually go hence in August or Sept. and will arrive wth. them time enô for their Occasions, besides that such a disposition will prevent all cavils and disputes, (wch. otherwise would very probably arise) about the demorage, a point wherein we can't be too cautious, as our Honble. Masters have particularly expressed themselves in their last letter, wth. relation to the Prince Frederick.

Agreed that none of the Comps. Goods are ship'd aboard the Craggs.

Agreed that for the reasons Given by Mr. Draper none of the Honble. Comps. Goods be shipp'd on board the Craggs Frigott for Bengall.

Chittys brot. before the board to answr. for the crimes they stand accus'd of.

Order'd to withdraw.

According to Agreement in last Consultation the Heads & others of the Chitty Cast who were undr. confinement, were brot. before the Board to answer for the crimes of wch. they stand accused; severall Interrogatory's were put to them in order to bring them to some Confession, but they continu'd obstinate, and deny'd their knowing any thing of the matter, whereupon they were Order'd to withdraw.

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The President then acquainted the Board that upon Revising ye. Consultation of the 7th. of Febry 1716/17, he finds mention there made of a paper sign'd by the heads of every Cast, (a Copy whereof is entred after ye. Consultation) wherein the penalty of desertion is made Confiscation, & the forfeiture of the Honble. Comps. protection, The President adds that he has made a strict enquiry for that paper, as knowing how much our Honble. Masters depend upon the force of that Obligation for the good behavr. of the people in future (as they have been pleased to Express themselves in their Genll. Letter the last year) and that he is informed by the Cheif Dubash, that after it was sign'd, it was by himself deliver'd to the late Presidt. Mr. Collet, & what became of it afterwards he cannot tell.

The Presidt. informs the board, that he finds in the Cons: the 7th. Febry. a paper sign'd by the Heads of the several Casts, wherein the penalty of desertion is Confiscation.

The Chitty's being call'd in again, the Copy of the said paper (as entred after the Consultation afore referr'd to) was shown to them, & they were ask'd if they had not set their hands thereto, wch. all (except one or two) positively denied and being Required to sign it afresh, as the necessary security for their good behaviour, & to clear up all suspicion of their intentions to desert they also peremptorily Refused to Comply, & thereupon they were dismiss'd second time.

A Copy of the sd. Paper shown to the Chitty's and ask'd to sign it who actually refus'd.

The Board at length finding them Obstinate thought it proper to come to some determination concerning them, & after having debated the matter very fully, The Presidt. proposed the suspension of the Honble. Comps. two Chitty Merchts. for the following reasons, Vizt.

That the Comps. Chitty Merchts: be suspended the service for the following reasons.

First, Because they stand accused of having formed a design of deserting this Governmt. & putting themselves undr. the protection of the Portugueeze at St. Thoma, whom it appears by the Vice Roy of Goa's letters to them they invited thither for that Purpose, and as the desertion of the Chitty cast (wch. are commonly Judged to be about half the Inhabitants of this place) would be an undoubted Prejudice to ye. Honble. Comps. affairs upon this Coast, the Chittys (who formed that design) are certainly to be esteemed as enemys to their affairs, & guilty of treachery to them.

First in designg. to desert this Governmt.

Seconldy, That all treachery in Governmt. tends to the subversion of it.

That Treachery in Governmt. tends to the subvertion of it.

Thirdly, That they who conspire to subvert & betray a Government are no longer to be trusted in places of Importance to the Governmt. but are to be suspected as Traytors to it, & treated accordingly.

That Persons of such dispositions ought not to be trusted wth Imploys of Importance.

Mr. Elwick then offer'd security for the two Chitty Merchants as far as Ten thousand Pags. for their Appearance 6 mo. hence, but being ask'd if he would Sign the Security paper in their behalf aforementioned (wch. they themselves were demanded to sign) and being also ask'd if he would suffer the penalty wch. the Chittys must suffer in case their accusation should hereafter be turn'd into a Conviction, he refus'd ym. both; and being told by some of the Board, that the security wch. he offer'd was no more than bail for their Appearance Six mo. hence, & that According to the laws of our Nation all Persons taken up upon suspicion of Treason are forthwth. Imprison'd without bail or mainprize, Mr. Elwicks motion was thereupon Rejected.

Mr. Elwick offers security for the two Chitty Merchts.

The Presidt. then proceeded to say That as all the Members of the Board in the Consultation of the 25th. ulto. have expressly said, they were satisfy'd of the good grounds, wch. they had to suspect their Guilt, & in suspicion thereof requir'd them forthwith to give security, that is to say, to sign the paper aforementioned, they Vizt. the Chittys by refusing to give such security, of course increase our suspicion, &

The Presidt. gives his Opinion that Persons convicted of Treachery in Governmt. ought not any

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longer to be Imployd therein.

therefore he adds that he is of Opinion, no Persons suspected of Treachery to the Hon[ble]. Comp[a]. ought to be Continued in their service till they have given the security requir'd for their fidelity, or till they have wiped off their suspicion by proving their Innocence.

The Members of the board desir'd to give their Opinions seperately.

Some of the Members of the Board differing in opinion from y[e]. rest each person was desir'd to give his Opinion singly, beginning at the Youngest, Accordingly.

Mr. Draper gives it in the affirmative.

M[r]. Draper declares for himself that as the Hon[ble]. Comp[s]. two Chitty Merchants aforem[d]. were admitted as such in Confidenee of their fidelity, and as the Board have in Cons. the 25th. ult[o]. confess'd the good grounds w[ch]. they had to suspect their fidelity, he thinks the said Chitty Merch[ts]. may Justly be suspended from any place of Trust in the Comp[s]. Service untill they have giv'n the Security requir'd, or clear'd themselves.

Mr. Emmerson in the Negative.

M[r]. Emmerson being next in Course dissented to the Presidents proposal, because he said, he saw no proof come against them.

Mr. Benyon in the negative.

M[r]. Benyon also dissented, because he said there appeard no positive proof against them, nor any likelyhood of any.

Mr. Fowke in the affirmative.

M[r]. Fowke declared his assent to the Presidents proposal for the reasons given in favour of it.

Mr. Cooke in the negative.

M[r]. Cooke gives his Opinion in the Negative, because as we are und[r]. a Contract wth. the Merchants for Goods they are (he thinks) sufficiently bound thereby, & therefore we ought not to suspend them, especially since M[r]. Elwick offers to give 10000 Pag[s]. Security.

Mr. Horden in the affirmative.

M[r]. Horden declares his opinion in y[e]. affirmative, because he thinks there is Just reason to suspect the Chitty's fidelity, & consequently to suspend them.

Mr. Elwick in the negative.

M[r]. Elwick averrs, that he does not believe there can ever any proof be given of their having been concern'd in the facts w[ch]. they are charg'd w[th]. & that therefore they have not forfeited their Characters as Comp[s]. Merch[ts].

The Presid[t]. in the affirmative.

The Presid[t]. having first made the proposal of suspending the Hon[ble]. Comp[s]. two Chitty Merchants aforesaid by name Mutta Vincatty Chitty & Tanjee Chitty, and the Voices of all the Members being summ'd up

It was AGREED in the affirmative.

It was AGREED by a majority to suspend them *ab Officio et Beneficio* as Comp[s]. Merchants, and accordingly their suspension was declared.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH[D]. HORDEN.
THO[S]: COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

29TH. Ship Mary Capt. Lewis Story frō. Surat.

31. Ship Sampson Capt. Mathew Beesley frō. Maldeives.

31ST. Brigantine Hartford Capt. Master to Pegu.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. PRESID^t. & GOV^R.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICH^D. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RAN: FOWKE. RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.

[JUNE]. TUESDAY THE 7TH.

Fra^s. Hastings Esqr. Presid^t. his acco^t. of the Honble. Comp^s. Cash for last m^o. read ballance remaining Pag^s. 32375 : 21 : 53.

Cashiers Acco^t. for last month read ball^ce. rem^g. Pag^s. 32375: 21: 53.

Randall Fowke Land Custom^r. his Acco^t. for last m^o. Read Viz^t.

Choultry Customs	Pag^s.	470	21	12
Ruby Brokerage		93	34	38
Registring Slaves		4	8	—
	Pag^s.	568	27	50

Land Custom^rs. Acco^t. for last read.

ball^ce. due from him Pag^s. 549 : 26 : 50.

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ORDER'D that three thousand Pag^s. be advanced y^e. Paym^r. to defray Charges Garrison.

Paym^r. advanc'd Pag^s. 3000.

Lewis Mellicque Farmer of the Arrack & Wine license pays in Pag^s. 333 : 12 fa^s. for last m^o. Rent of that farm.

Farmer of the arrack & Wine Lycense p^s. in Pag^s. 333 : 12 : —

No persons appearing to offer any thing considerable for the Villages of Egmore &c^t. on acco^t. of the drought & it being of ill consequence to lower y^e. Revenues AGREED that M^r. Charles Hazelwood Factor in the Honble. Comp^s. service take Charge of them till further orders.

AGREED that M^r. Hazelwood take care of the Comp^s. Farms.

M^r. Court Supra Cargo of the Sampson offering a parcel of Cowries for sale at 25 Pag^s. the Candy & not und^r. & the Exp^t. Warehousek^r. reporting that the Honble. Comp^a. have wrote for fifty Ton in their last list for Investment the Board think it necessary to comply wth. their ord^s. in that list, and therefore do agree to Purchase fifty Ton of the said Cowries at the aforesaid Price.

M^r. Court Supra Cargo of ship Sampson offers Cowries to sale @ 25 Pag^s. ℔ Candy AGREED that we purchase fifty Tons acco^t. of y^e. Comp^y.

M^r. Thos. Wright being arr^d. from Fort S^t. David and M^r. Draper being to act as Sec^ry. till his departure, It was proposed to admitt him as Youngest of Council to provide against that vacancy at the board wch. will be during M^r. Drapers stay at the West Coast, and it was AGREED to, Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson dissenting for the same reasons wch. they gave at M^r. Draper's admission.

M^r. Thos. Wright taken to the Board but dissented to by Messrs. Elwick, Benyon and Emmerson.

FRA: HASTINGS.
N: ELWICK.
RICH^D. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

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8th. Ship Nabbemaduck Nuru Mahomud from Pegu.
9th. Ship Chester Capt. Bodium to Bengall.
12. Ship Dianady Summadru Owner to Porto Novo.
— Ship Shrewberry Capt. Jacob Arnoll from Maldieves.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 13TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

Genll. Letter to Bengall read and sign'd.

Genll. Letter to the President & Council of Bengall of this days date design'd ⅌ ship King George read & Signed.

The Storekeepr. reports yt. there's a parcel of Europe Cordage in the Godown little better than Junk.

The Storekeepr. reporting that there is a parcel of Europe Cordage in the Godown little better than Junk

AGREED that he dispose of it.

AGREED that he dispose of it for what it will yeild.

The Lusitania design'd from Callicutt to Anjengo.

The Lusitania, a ship now in this road, having taken in severall Stores at Calicutt for Anjengo wch. she could not put ashore by reason of hard weather wch. would not permitt the Capt. to stay long there,

ORDER'D the Storekeepr. send for them ashore.

ORDER'D that the Storekr. send for them ashore.

That a parcel of Timbr. was to have been provided.

A Quantity of Timber & Plank having been Order'd in Consultation the 5th. ulto. to be provided as ⅌ List entred thereafter

ORDER'D the Council survey a parcel in Town.

ORDER'D that the Council survey a Parcel in Town wch. is now Offer'd for sale & report the Goodness & prizes to the Board.

Stewds. Accot. of stores for the West Coast deliver'd and beg. thot. exhorbitant

The Paymaster delivers in the Stewards Accot. of Stores provided for the West Coast, wch. being thought exhorbitant in the prizes

ORDER'D Messrs. Horden and Cooke make an examination into the same.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Horden & Cooke do make a strict examination into the same, & deliver in their report thereof the next Consult.

Genll. Letter from Ft. St. David datd. the 10th. Ins. read.

Generall Letter from Fort St. David dated the 10th. instant read inclosing their Diarys, Consultations, Paymasters Accounts & Accounts of Cash for the two last months, also a Copy of their Genll. Books letter R, & the Merchants Accounts for last month.

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John Emmerson Rentall Gen[ll]. & Scavinger pays into Cash Pag[s]. Eighty in full for three months Butteca Rent & Shroff duty from the ℘m°. March to the ult°. June, and reports that the Cowle having expir'd the 31st. ult° the Renter refuses to renew it without an abatement.

Rent[ll]. Gen[ll]. and Scavinger[r]. p[s]. into Cash Pag[s]. 80 in full for 3 months rent y[e]. Cowle exp[g]. y[e]. 31st., y[e]. renter refuses to renew w[th].out an abatm[t].

Agreed that the Presid[t]. enquire for another to supply it.

Agreed the Presid[t]. enquire for another.

The Wife of Pareira the one ey'd Doctor having made application to have his effects deposited in the Sea Custom[rs]. hands, as the Vice Roy of Goa's presents are, for fear of having them squander'd away by the Captain of the Vessel, who is now possess'd of them, her request is granted.

Periras Wife requests Her Husbands effects may be deposited in y[e]. Sea Custom[rs]. hands, her request granted.

Generall Letter from M[r]. Humphry Holcombe at Metchlapatam dated the 9th. of the last m°. read inclosing his acco[ts]. w[ch]. are deliv[d]. the Accomptant.

Journal Parcels for April read.

Gen[ll]. Lett[r]. from Metchlapat. dat[d]. the 9th. of last Month read.

Francis Hastings Esq[r]. Mintmaster his account for last month read ballance due from him Pag[s]. 516 : 19 : 15 and Rup[s]. 821 : the former he now pays into Cash & the latter delivers the Import Warehousekeep[r].

Mint acco[t]. for last m°. read ball[ce]. due from him Pag[s]. 516 : 19 : 15 and rup[s]. 821 the form[r]. p[s]. into Cash and the latt[r]. to the Warehous-keep[r].

Cap[t]. Thomas Blake Comm[r]. of Ship Craggs delivers in a paper address'd to the Board, w[ch]. he calls an answer to our protest the same being read & Consider'd was found to be full of incoherencys & false assertions, however it was Judged proper to be enterd after this Consultation.

Cap[t]. Blakes answ[r]. to his Protest deliver'd in and Order'd to be enter'd after this Cons.

M[r]. Nathan[ll]. Elwick upon signing the last Consultation relating to M[r]. Wrights admission to the Board, desir'd to observe, that whereas he proposed at his dissent to that part of it, to inform himself whether there were not some of the Comp[s]. Servants postponed by M[r]. Wrights advancement, He has found upon enquiry that there are severall & some who he thinks of sufficient merit.

M[r]. Elwick informs the Board that he has found several of the Comp[s]. serv[ts]. superiour to M[r]. Wright and of merit equall.

Order'd that M[r]. Elwick deliver in the names of those persons the next Consultation, that their Characters may be enquir'd into.

Order'd M[r]. Elwick delivers in the names of those Persons the next Cons.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Rich[d]. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Rich[d]. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho : Wright.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1720——

To the Hon. Francis Hastings Esqr.
President & Governour of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

Whereas your Hon^r^. &c^a^. Council have been pleased to cause a Protest to be delivered to me Thomas Blake Commander of the Ship Craggs Frigat by M^r^. Joshua Draper Yo^r^. Hon^rs^. &c^a^. Secretary in which protest I the said Thomas Blake am very much Concernd to find how much your Hon^r^. &c^a^. have been misinformd Concerning the state and condition of my Ship Craggs.

Wherefore in answer to your said Protest I the under written Thomas Blake in behalf of all those Honour^ble^. Gentlemen who are Proprietors and Owners of the said Ship Crags do crave leave to answer as follows.

First as to myself I utterly deny that I have ever delivered in any paper representing the Craggs Frigat not to be in a Condition to undertake her Voyage and do assert that She is well and sufficiently stored with all Tackle apparell and Furniture properly belonging to a Ship but as to Provisions, although she was fully and Compleatly Victuald for the number of men appointed by Charter Party to be sent on Board, yet one of the Honble. Companys Ships nam'd the Hannover having mett with a misfortune which disabled her direct proceeding on the Voyage, there were thirty men taken out of her and sent on board the Craggs not more than two hours before we saild, so that the Complyance with the Honble. Companys orders therein has Causd us to Expend 9 months Provisions for feeding and maintaining the said 30 men which we have the utmost Reason to expect shou'd be supplyd to us by a Recruit of wholesome and proper Food in India instead whereof very much to my surprize I am served with a Protest.

In which Protest I am sorry to observe you think it is necessary to tell me that obedience to the Honble. Companys orders in the last mentioned particular about the thirty Soldiers is Esteemd to be no plea at all, because it is there asserted that we had it in our Power to recruit at S^r^. Helena which is a Garrison that is allways kept fully stored for the supply of shipping. To the Contrary whereof I do assure your Hon^r^. &c^a^. that the Garrison of S^t^. Helena was not itself supply'd with such Stores as salted Beef and Pork the Last year from England and those they had remaining of their Old stock was reservd for their Homeward bound shipping who cannot be otherways supply'd because though that Climate is abundantly cooler than this yet from long Experience it has always been found that the Meat killd there cannot be so sufficiently cured and preservd there as to keep above a month or six weeks at the very farthest neither can a Ship outward Bound be permitted according to the Honble. Companys orders to Continue or stay there Longer than the very time spent in unloading and therefore Consequently cou'd not (though the S^t^. Helena Beef were fitt for salting) have time to salt it and Repack it as ought to be done and at Batavia no such thing is to be procured but by private hands and that with Difficulty but as I myself was then but little on shoare and had not then the Command of the Ship I cannot take upon me to give so exact account thereof.

However I very well remember that when ashoar at Moco Moco Garrison on the West Coast instead of being assisted there as we ought to have been we were not fully supply'd wth. Buffelo but were often obliged to Victual our people with Europe salted Provisions, M^r^. Ballet the Cheif there alledging that neither Beef nor Buffelo to Victual the Ship was to be had and that they had difficulty enough to find fresh meat sufficient for the Honble. Companys Servants on shoar.

And on our arrival in this Port of Madrass we have found the Provisions in the manner Represented to Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. Council in my other paper to which please to be Referr'd.

And whereas Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. are pleased to mention that on a survey made on the Ship Craggs by Messrs. Isaac Pyke, Elias Cartwright and David Murray the said Ship did not appear to be in a Condition to enter forthwith upon a Voyage if you please to Reperuse the Report of that Survey you will find the ship to be a new strong Ship and fitt for service and needing nothing to be done to her but what is Required and necessary for all Ships whatever in the Hon. Companys service that

have been fourteen months off the Ground and your Honr. will find farther that the Carpenters proffered to make her fully fitt to take in goods for England in 20 days or less in case the weather permitted which I think was so reasonable Especially when the Charter Party always allows 30 days after a Survey that I did not imagine a protest coud be grounded thereon therefore cannot but think I have the greater misfortune to be protested against in such a manner when I was so ready so willing and so very desireous to perform the Voyage and as I am most sure I am in no unreadiness but the want of necessary Provisions for the ship in the room of those parted with to the 30 Soldiers in Obedience to the Honourable Companys Express orders.

To prevent myself or Owners of the said Ship Craggs having any Loss or Damage thereby, I do hereby in the name and behalf of the said Owners of the Craggs Frigatt and in my own name and behalf Protest against the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies for all Consequences that do have may or shall happen to proceed from their putting, the before mentiond 30 Soldiers on Board I do also protest against the Cheif and Council of the Garrison of Moco Moco for not fully supplying the ship with fresh provissions during the time he oblig'd us to Continue there which forced us to expend upon our Europe Salted Provissions I do also Protest against the Messrs. Isaack Pyke, Elias Cartwright and David Murray in case they after they had Surveyd the ship have reported her unfitt to proceed the Voyage being well assured they knew the ship to be a strong good ship and fitt to undertake any Voyage.

And lastly I esteem it my duty so I must ask leave to Protest and do hereby Protest against the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr. President and Governour of Fort St. George &ca. and his Council for not supplying me with such wholesome and good Provissions as in obedience to the Honourble. Companys orders have on their accounts been expended for the aforesaid 30 Soldiers here being a Garrison which I have reason to suppose is fully provyded with all necessary Provissions &ca. that may be for the Companys Service.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand this 13. day of June Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and twenty.

Thomas Blake.

Ship Craggs Frigatt Capt. Thos. Blake to Bengall. 13th.
Ship King George Capt. Timothy Tullie to ditto. —
Ship Sunderland Capt. George Biggins to ditto. —
Ship Windsor Capt. Jonathan Wilkinson to ditto. —
Ship Sy'd Mahomud Hussen to ditto. 14th.
Ship Dover Capt. Stephen Worlidge to Porto Novo. 17th.
Brigantine Nabbemoduck Shake Hodjamud to Bengall. —
Ship Codabux Mahomud Sauduck to ditto. —
Ship St: Mauvis Capt. Tourope to ditto. —
Ship Lusitania Capt. Thos. Dixon to Pegu. 18th.
Brigantine Lusia belonging to Mr. Orm to ditto. —
Capt. Edwd. Wilson from Surat. 20th.

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—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1720*—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 20TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS Esqr. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

Cash Accot. Ft. St. David reported to be right.

The Accomptant reports the Fort St. David Cash Accots. for April & May last to be right.

Expt. Warehouskeepr. delivers in his Books balld. to the ulto. April.

Nathaniel Elwick Expt. Warehousekr. delivers in his books ballancd. to the last of April.

Impt. Warehouskeepr. delivers in his Accot. rems. & Books balld. to the ulto. April.

Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekr. likewise delivers in his Accot. of Remains & books ballanced to the last of April, all wch. are delivd. the Accomptant.

Paymrs. Accot. for last Month read.

Thomas Cooke Paymr. his Accot. for last mo. read Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pags. 2053	34	5
Charges Generall	690	23	10
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Bombay Presidency	12	—	—
Charges Cattle	147	20	30
Charges Extraordinary	139	11	—
Repairs of Fortifications	501	32	65
Charles's Point	114	21	40
Marlbrô Fort	1117	27	60
Charges Dyett	72	—	—
Dyett & Stores laid in	104	—	—
	Pags. 4963	26	50

ballce. due to him Pags. 963 : 26 : 50 ORDER'D to be paid.

ballance due to him Pags. 963 : 26 : 50. wch. is ORDER'D to be paid him.

THE EXTRAORDY. EXPENCE ARISES Vizt.

CHARGES GARRISON pd. the West Coast men from Fort St. David & for Gunnys for ye. Choultrys.	Pags. 160	2	40
CHARGES EXTRAORDry. pd. 10 mo. house Rent for the West Coast servts. & chas. of prisonrs. ...	139	11	—
REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATIONS for repg. ye. Town Wall &ct.	501	32	65
CHARLES'S POINT for workmen & mat. ys. mo. ...	114	21	40
MARLBRÔ FORT for sundrys provided for the Expedition & Advance mony to ye. Gunroom Crew ...	1117	27	60
DIET & STORES LAID IN Madeira wine 4 pipes for the Govrs. table in March & April by ordr. of Cons.	104	—	—
	Pags. 2137	23	45

N.B. The Stewards Accots. are Omitted in this mo. being undr. Examination.

Messrs. Horden & Cooke's rept. of their examination of their Stewards Accot. of provisions for the West Coast.

Messrs. Horden & Cooke who were Appointed the last Consultation to Examine the Stewards Accot. of provisions laid in for the West Coast now deliver in their roport of the same as entred after this Consultation.

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ORDER'D that a Copy thereof be deliver'd the Steward, that he may give in this Answer to ye. sevll. Articles wch. they have charged him wth.

ORDER'D a Copy thereof be deliverd the Stewd. to deliver in his ansr. to ye. sevll. Articles charged agst. him.

Genll. Lettrs. Read Vizt.

GENLL. LETTRS. read.

From Fort St. David datd. 18th. instant ℘ ship William inclosing Invo. & bill of loading for 360 bales, wch. are ORDER'D to be sent for ashore.

From Ft. St. David datd. the 18th. Instt.

From Anjengo datd. 11th. May read, advising that Mr. Orme Supra Cargo of the the Lusitania, went out of that port wth. out putting ashore sevll. Stores wch. he had taken in at Tellicherry for that place, the said Letter also incloses a Protest against him sign'd by the Cheif & Council wch. is ORDER'D to be deliver'd to him.

From Anjengo datd. the 11th May. a PROTEST ORDER'D to be deliver'd Mr. Orm.

Genll. Letter to Bombay design'd by Pattamar of this days date read & sign'd.

Genll. Lettr. to Bombay design'd by Pattamar read and sign'd.

According to ordr. of last Consultation it being demanded of Mr. Elwick to name the Persons names superiour to Mr. Wright in standing whom he thought of sufficient merit to be brought to the Board, He offer'd to deliver in a list of all the H. Comps. Servants above Mr. Wright as far as the Council, refusing to name any particular persons wch. being not a complyance wth. our ordrs. aforesaid, his answer was rejected.

Mr. Elwicks ansr. in relation to delivers. in the Persons names superiour and more meritoriou e than Mr. Wright rejected.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO. WRIGHT.

Ship William Capt. Wilson Commr. arrd. from Surat having lost her Passage to Persia. 20TH.

Dispatch'd ℘ Pattamr. a Genll. Lettr. to the Presidt. & Council of Bombay of this days date. —

Dispatch'd ℘ Do. a Genll. Lettr. to the Cheif & Council of Callicutt. —

Brig. Sancta Maria Cojee Mallcawn Ownr. arrd. from Porto Novo. 22D.

Ship Godfrey (belonging to the Honble. Co.) Capt. Thomas Errington Commr. arrd. from the West Coast by whom recd. a pacquet from the Cheif & Council at Moco Moco. —

Brig. Perry, Nath. Smith Master saild. from ye. Bay. —

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

THURSDAY THE 23D.

FRANCIS HASTINGS. ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

The Honble. Comps. Ship Godfrey, (Commanded by Capt. Thos. Errington, Capt. Payne being dead) arriving last night from the West Coast, the Pacquet from the Cheif and Council of Moco Moco was Open'd and their Genll. Letter from Mr. Walsh

Genll Lettr. from Moco Moco ℘ Ship Godfrey read.

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&c^a. read advising that M^r. Ballet resign'd the H. Comp^s. Service, and took his passage on this ship, on acco^t. of his ill state of health.

ORDER'D the Warehousekeep^r. sends for the three Chests of Treasure from on board the Godfrey.

ORDER'D that the Warehousek^r. do send for the three Chests of Treasure ashore that are come upon the Godfrey.

Tobacco Farm^r. p^s. in Pag^s. 583 : 12 for last Months rent of that Farm

Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays into Cash Pagod^s. Five hundred Eighty three & twelve fanams for last months rent of that farm ; he likewise pays in Pagodas One hundred & thirty six twenty four fanams for two months rent of that farm ending the 20th. ult^o.

The Fishing Farm^rs. p^s. in Pag^s. 50 in full of one years rent.

Thome Joanne &c^t. Fishing farmers pay into Cash Pag^s. Fifty in full of a Twelve months rent of that Cowle ending the 24th. March last, they likewise pay in Ten Pagodas in further part of their old debt.

The Fishing Cowle beg. expir'd the renters refuse to renew it, w^th.out an abatem^t.

The aforemention'd Cowle being expir'd and the old Farmers representing that they have been sufferers thereby for some time, and y^t. they cannot therefore Renew without an abatement

AGREED to wait a little longer to see if we can get the form^r. rent.

AGREED to wait a little while in ord^r. to try, If we cannot persuade them to a Complyance, or procure other renters.

FRA: HASTINGS.
N: ELWICK.
RICH^D. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

24TH. Ship Hannover Capt^t. Woodhouse sailed for Bengall.

— Ship Cadregama Velapa Mudelare sailed for Negapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 27TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R. PRESID^T. & GOV^R.

NATHANIEL ELWICK.	RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE.	RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Exp^t. Warehouskeep^rs. Acco^ts. for last month read ball^ce. due from him Pag^s. 2720 : 20 : 61.

Nath. Elwick Exp^t. W.h.k^r. his acco^t. for last m^o. read ballance due from him Pag^s. 2720 : 20 : 61.

Imp^t. Warehousek^rs. acco^t. for last month read ball^ce. due fr^o. him Pag^s. 1421 : 35 : 36 & p^s. in Pag^s. 1000.

Richard Horden Imp^t. Warehousek^r. his Acco^t. for last m^o. read ball^e. due from him Pag^s. 1421 : 35 : 36, whereof he now pays in Pag^s. One thousand.

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Messrs. Horden, Fowke & [W]right report the examination of the three Chests of Treasure rec^d. ℔ Godfrey, & that they find y^m. right.

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Richard Horden Sea Customr. his accor. for last mo. Read Vizt.

Custom on Goods imported and Exported	Pags.	3118	11	56
Ditto on grain		408	18	—
Anchorage		51	18	—
	Pags.	3578	11	56

Sea Customrs. Accot. for last month read.

ballance due from him Pags. 10623 : 34 : 46 whereof he now pays in Pags. Seven thousand.

ballce. due from him Pags. 10623 : 34 : 46 and ps. in Pags. 7000.

Randall Fowke Land Customr. pays into Cash Pags. 549 : 26 : 50 in full of the ballance of his last mo. Accot.

Land Customr. ps. into Cash Pags. 549 : 26 : 50 ballce. of last months accot.

John Emmerson Rentall Genll. & Scavinger pays into Cash Pags. Four Hundred Accot. Quit Rent.

Rentll. Genll. & Scavingr. ps. in Pags. 400 Accot. Quit rent.

Richard Benyon Storekr. delivers in his Accot. Rems. to the last of April wch. are dd. ye. Accompt. He also reads his Accot. for last mo. ballance due from him Pags. 1188 : 4 : 15 and delivers in a list of Stores recd. from the Lusitania design'd for Anjengo wch. is entred after this Consultation, & they are Order'd to be kept apart from our own Stores, in ordr. to be sent thither or to Callicutt by the 1st. Opportunity.

Storekeepr. delivers in his Accot. rems. to the last of April also his Accot. for last month read ballce. due frō. him Pags. 1188 : 4 : 15 and delivers in a List of Stores by the Lusitania Order'd they be kept apart from her own Stores.

The Warehousekr. reports that upon receiving part of the Cowries lately purchas'd in the manner wch. is call'd Merchantable here, he finds there will be five ℔ Cent loss by washing & cleaning them in order to make them fitt for the Europe market, they are however order'd to be cleaned.

The Warehousekeepr. repts that there will be 5 ℔ ct. loss in Washg. the Cowries lately purchas'd.

George Drake Steward delivers in his answer to Messrs. Horden & Cookes report about the exorbitant price of the West Coast provisions, the same being read, the Presidt. acquainted the Board, that he observes the Steward in the latter part of his paper, has insinuated, that the dearness of the Arrack proceeds from the Purchase havg. been made of himself, whereas he declares he never sold him any, thô indeed he did send up a Parcel of arrack from Fort St. David a twelve mo. ago consd. to Govr. Collet for wch. Govr. Collet credited him as Sold to Mr. Elwick the Warehousekr. who he supposes bought it as a private Merchant and might have Concern'd Mr. Drake apart therein for the sake of selling it to the Compa. And therefore he thinks Mr. Drake guilty of a very unjust and unbecoming insinuation.

Mr. George Drake Stewd. delivers in his ansr. to Messrs. Horden & Cooke's report.

Messrs. Horden and Cooke having sevll. Assertions to disprove in the aforesaid paper of the Stewards, they are Order'd to make their Replication in Writing, & in the mean time the Stewards paper is Order'd to be entred after this Consultation.

Messrs. Horden & Cooke havg. several replycations to the aforesd. paper they are Order'd to make it in writing wch. is to be enter'd after this Cons.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1720—

Mr. Ballet interrogated concerning the leavg. of Moco Moco, as also relatg. to Mr. Pyke.

The Cheif and Council of Moco Moco having advised us that they had givn Mr. Ballet leave to lay down the service & come hither for his health, he was sent for, and appearing before the Board was interrogated concerng. his leaving that place the differences between himself & Mr. Pyke & the charge exhibited against him by Messrs. Pyke & Willy; He reply'd that his ill state of health was the principall motive of his leavg. the West Coast, and that Mr. Pykes repeated Menaces to ruin him, when he return'd to that place as D. Governr. were another inducemt. and being Conscious to himself that he had done nothing for wch. he deserved ruin, he came hither to satisfy the Board of his Innocence, not doubting of Justice at our hands, whereas he expected very little at the hands of Mr. Pyke, who was exasperated against him for no other Reason, but obeying the ords. he had Recd. from this Board, Mr. Ballet then desir'd the liberty to peruse Messeurs Pyke & Willys allegations against him (wch. the Secy. was Order'd to deliver him) in ordr. to vindicate himself in writing, and the same was Granted him.

Pags. 10000 sent to Ft. St. David overland.

Order'd that Ten thousand pagodas be sent overland to Fort St. David undr. Charge of Twenty Peons accordg. to the D. Govr. & Councils desire as a supply for their Cash.

The Cawn Gohee duty for Egmore &ca. pd. beg. Pags. 35.

The Cawn Gohee duty for the Villages of Egmore being due the 10th. May last Order'd that it be pd. amounting to Pags. thirty five.

Mr. Drapers havg. bot. the Garden House of Mr. Theobalds and some small parcels of Ground adjoyning Desires they may be incorporated in one Lease Order'd it be done.

Mr. Draper having purchas'd the Garden house of Mr. Theobald (for wch. a lease was sign'd by this Board) and havg. bought sevll. ps. of ground adjoyning to it, (for wch. he produces regular bills of sale) but not thinkg. the title convey'd therein sufficiently secure, he desires they may be incorporated into the lease given by us, and a New one for the whole sign'd by the Board, wch. is Order'd to be done.

The Lieutenant &ct. on board the William, who lost her passage sent for ashore.

There being a Lieutenant & 12 Soldrs. of the Topaz sort on board ye. William who lost her passage to Persia, design'd wth. Mr. Strutt the supravizr. who dying in the Voyage, they are Order'd to be sent for ashore.

Order'd fret. be pd. Owners of ship Wm. for bringg. up 360 bales from Ft. St. David.

Order'd that the Accustomary fret. be pd. the Ownrs. of the William for bringing up the 360 bales lately from Fort St. David.

Fra : Hastings.
N : Elwick.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Richd : Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho : Wright.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. Geor. &ct. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ct.

I shall now ansr. the report of Messrs. Richd. Horden and Thomas Cooke appointed to examine my Accots. and I hope to state matter of Fact in so clear a light as to give Yor. Honr. &ct. a quite different sence of my managemt. but I cannot forbear owning the inexpressible concern, I am under to find so heavy a charge on my Character as is contain'd in this report.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1720*—

In its preamble it is said my Diary is very imperfect, and thereby an incapacity is alledg'd of making any discoverys I can only say in ans^{r}. to that, that whatever explanation is demanded, I am in the utmost readiness to make it. But that those acco^{ts}. have been allways wrote in that method and have yearly been transmitted to the Honble. Company.

As for the remarks made on my May months Acco^{t}. the Articles wch. are most particularly excepted against are Raisins, Almonds, and Soy, as for the others, they are char^{d}. at the same rates wth. those provided for Acco^{t}. Fort Marlbrô so that they will fall more properly under notice when I come to treat of the Provisions made for that settlem^{t}.

The prime cost of this Commodity is Pag^{s}. $12\frac{3}{4}$ ꝑ Candy they are charg'd at a higher rate, then those in the West Coast Acco^{t}. the less being so considerable upon their being retailed out in such small quantitys, as a pound or half of a pound. RAISINS.

The different charge of this Commodity proceeds from the same cause. ALMONDS.

This Article is valued by report only at Pag^{s}. 1 and $1\frac{1}{4}$ ꝑ Gallon, I say it cost me one Pag^{a}. and a half ꝑ Gallon the same charge has allways been made, and allow'd in all my former Acco^{ts}. wch. if recourse had been made to those of my Predecessors, will appear, to be under the same charge & I may dare say, the most a stew^{d}. can make on Soy can be but small, even in the greatest process of time (all disadvantages being consider'd) as the charge of Bottles, Corks, Breakage and the like. SOY.

I shall now proceed to ans^{r}. the severall objections given on my Charges on Stores laid in for Acco^{t}. of the West Coast.

BENGALL RICE, is the first article wch. the report says was worth but 36 Pag^{s}. ꝑ Garse as tis more then probable but Pegu Rice may be there meant, for sure I am that I gave to Pattachum and Tonda [*a few words lost*] ꝑ Garse wch. was the then harvest price that any of this sort of Rice could be procur'd at as is evid^{t}. by my engageing in a quantity of above twenty Garse as the same in Comp^{y}. wth. M^{r}. Thomas Theobald and this same sort of Rice has ever since continued rising and is now from 43 to 44 Pag^{s}. ꝑ Garse.

FINE RICE 100 Mercaul was bo^{t}. of Annada Mootamarra Capt. Orrils serv^{t}. to May the 19th. @ Pag^{s}. 64 ꝑ Garse thô the report allows but 55 Pag^{s}. ꝑ Garse.

PADDY 1 Garse was bo^{t}. of Perra May the 18th. @ Pag^{s}. 22 · 8.—ꝑ Garse thô the report values it @ Pag^{s}. 19 only.

BENGALL WHEAT 200 Mercaul was bo^{t}. of Shiver Cunda May the 19th. @ Pag^{s}. 45 ꝑ Garse, wch. valued by the report only @ 40 Pag^{s}.

BRAMINY BUTTER 500 Measures bo^{t}. of Comrapa from 8 to $8\frac{1}{2}$ Measures ꝑ Pag^{a}. thô the report asserts it to be at a constant rate of nine Measures ꝑ Pag^{a}.

KISMASSES were bo^{t}. last Augst. at Capt. Wottons outcry at the Sea Gate as ꝑ his note dat^{d}. Sepr. 1st. 1719 @ Pag^{s}. 31 ꝑ Candy I have sold to several @ Pag^{s}. 35 ꝑ Candy, and am ready to produce a muster of this sort w^{ch}. (I do not noe) will justifie the reasonableness of my Charge.

RAISINS 1 Candy were bo^{t}. of Nina Chitty May the 19th. @ Pag^{s} $12\frac{3}{4}$ ꝑ Candy thô the report allows them to be worth but eleven Pag^{s}. ꝑ D^{o}.

ALMONDS, were bo^{t}. by ord^{r}. of Govr. Collet last Augst. at Capt. Wottons outcry at the Sea Gate @ Pag^{s}. 24 ꝑ Candy, as appears by his note dat^{d}. Sepr. 1st. 1719 so that the advantage upon this article can be but very inconsiderable and that time must be tho^{t}. the properest to lay in Persia Stores, especially since the dearness of this Commodity was so extravagant in the preceeding year.

CANDLES NOT COURSE The Wax was bo^{t}. on the 12th. day of May @ Pag^{s}. 45 ꝑ Candy, so that allowing the loss in its being melted down added to the Cooley hire and other Charges on making Candles the advantage (I hope) will then appear but very small in proportion to what the report speaks.

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Bengall Candles, had the price of that Commodity been more narrowly examin'd into, it would have appear'd to have been nearer eighty then sixty Pag^s. ℘ Candy as ℘ M^r. Thomas Bulkley's note dat^d. May the 12th. and now they are not procureable even at eighty, seventy Pag^s. being the prime cost at the Bay.

Batavia Arrack, I know not how to state this Acco^t. better than by appealing to the Honble. Presid^t. whether 40 Pag^s. ℘ Leag̃. was not the Prime cost wth. that additional of Leakage, wch. amo^{ts}. to at least Pag^s. 2 more ℘ Leag̃. so that I cant but appear to be a very heavy looser of @ least Pag^s. 240 wch. consideration, I could not but have hoped might have had some weight even thô. I had exceeded the markett price, wch. therefore I begg may be referr'd to M^r. Francis Hugonin, and likewise produce a note sign'd by Lewis Melicque wch. testifyes the same.

As for those Articles of Pickles, Glass ware, Ectra, &c^t. wch. are only suggested to be amiss, I shall only say that most of them are not provided by me but that I beleive them agreable to the Marktt price otherwise I should not have inserted them in this Acco^t.

I have now laid before yor. Hon^r. &c^t. a very impartiall state of my proceeding for wch. I referr to the notes of Paym^{ts}. or rather to the Merch^{ts}. themselves that I cannot but think the advantage must appear very inconsiderable when proportion'd to what the report observes, especially when you will please to reflect on the large sum of above fourteen hund̃. Pag^s. and the time since it was advanced and I hope I have not been wanting in my duty as to my care and pains in making the Provisions, since some sort of the stores lay'd me under some difficultys to procure them I say I hope these considerã. will influence Yo^r. Hon^r. &c^t. to entertain a more favourable Opinion of me, that I have studied the Interest of my Masters as far as reason and Justice to my self permitt, and have in every respect acted as becomes

Fort S^t. Geo^e.
June the 27th. 1720.

Honble. S^r. &c^t.
Yo^r. most obed^t. and most faithfull humble serv^t.

George Drake
Stew^d.

24th Ship Hannover Capt. Woodhouse from Bengall.
— Ship Caudra Coma Vellapah Mudalare to Negapatam.
27th. Ship Bonetta Capt. John Harry to China.
— Ship Stratford Capt. John Oade to Siam.
28 Brigantine Recovery Capt. William Shottbolt to Batavia.
30th. Sloop Ramah Henderick Johnson Master from F^t. S^t. David.

[July]

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 4th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^t. & Govern^r.
Nathaniel Elwick. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper. Thomas Wright.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^r. ℘ Ship Mary frõ. the Court of Direct^{rs}. directed to the Honble. Fra^s. Hastings Esqr. whom the constituted Presid^t. and Govr. was read.

The President produces before the Board a letter directed to y^e. Honble. Fra^s. Hastings Esqr. Constituted Presid^t. & Govr. of Fort S^t. George wch. being read was found to be from the Court of Directors inclosing a copy of their Gen^{ll}. Letter ℘ ship Mary who arriv'd at Fort S^t. David the 1st. instant wth. orders to deliver the Paquet to him, and appointing him to receive the Chair from Joseph Collet Esqr. not knowing of his intention to depart so soon, as appear'd upon reading the said letter.

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ORDER'D that three thousand Pagodas be advanc'd the Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison &c^e^. Paym^r^. advanc'd Pag^s^. 3000 to defray Charges Garrison.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
RICH^D^ : BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

Ship Duke of Cambridge Capt. Daniel Small from Great Brittain. 4TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

TUESDAY THE 5TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.	PRESIDENT & GOV^R^.
NATHANIEL ELWICK.	RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE.	RANDALL FOWKE.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

The Honble. Comp^as^. Ship Duke of Cambridge Capt. Dan^ll^. Small Comm^r^. arriving yesterday from Great Brittain the Pacquet directed to Fra^s^. Hastings Esqr. Presid^t^. and Messrs. Jennings, Elwick, Horden, Fowke, Turner, Turton, Benyon & Emmerson of Council was open'd & the Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. from the Court of Directors read, particularly that part wherein the Governm^t^. is establish'd and M^r^. Turner being appointed to his stand^g^. he was call'd in, & tooke his place accordingly next below M^r^. Fowke.

Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. from the Court of Directors ℗ Ship Duke of Cambridge directed to the Presid^t^. and Council read wherein M^r^. Turner was appointed to take his stand^g^. who did accordingly.

ORDER'D that the Warehousek^rs^. send for the Treasure, wares and Stores ashore wch. are now come upon y^e^. Duke of Cambridge.

The Warehouskeep^rs^. ORDER'D to send for the Treasure &c^t^. ashore fro͞ on board the Duke of Cambridge.

All the Honble. Comp^s^. Covenanted Servants both civill and military were then sent for, as well as Inhabitants of the place, and the Presid^ts^. Commission from the Honble. C^o^. for this Governm^t^. was read to them, and being deliver'd to him they were dismiss'd.

The Presid^ts^. Commis͞s. read.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
N : TURNER.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY THE 7TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
NATHANLL. ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE. N. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

The Paymr. reports the Walls being decay'd the black Town lies very much expos'd.

Mr. Thomas Cooke Paymr. delivers in a Report representing that the Town lies expos'd from Mudd Point to the block house, and that there are nothing for its defence but a few palmiras wch. are very much decay'd, for wch. reason it is absolutely necessary to build a Wall wch. will cost abot. 400 Pags. but the H. Court of Directors having in their late letter by the Duke of Cambridge positvely ORDER'D that no new buildings shall be sett abot. withot. their previous knowledge & Consent, the Board do not think fitt to Agree to Mr. Cookes Proposal for that reason, but that those on hand only should be Compleated.

Mr. Turner delivers in a parcell of Papers relatg. to a dispute between Mr. Chitty & the Compy.

Mr. Nath. Turner delivers in a parcel of papers & writings abot. Mr. Raworths affairs, relating to a dispute between Mr. Chitty and ye. Honble. Compa. wch. are Vizt.

Mr. Hungerfords Interrogatorys–three blank sheets of parchmt ruled & Stamp'd.
Copy of the East India Co. Answr. to Mr. Chittys bill.

Defendants Interrogatorys of the East India Co. abt. Chitty.
Abstract of the Plaintiffs bill against the East India Co.

A form of Depositions.

Messrs. Elwick, Horden, Tullie and Turton, appointed as Commissn. in that affair.

Instructions for the Examg. Witnesses at Fort St. David Commission Appointing Messrs. Elwick, Horden, Tullie & Turton to ye. management of the whole. Accordingly the foregoing papers were deliver'd to them.

The rept. of Messrs. Horden, Emmerson & Wright, relatg. to the Treasure ℘ Ship Duke of Cambridge, as enterd after this Cons.

Messrs. Horden, Emmerson & Wright having examin'd the Treasure ℘ ship Duke of Cambridge deliver in their report that they find it right, & it is entred after this Consultation.

Genll. Lettr. fro. Ft. St David datd. the 30th. ulto. read.

Genll. Letter from Fort St. David datd. the 30th. Ulto. read inclosg. their Cash Accot. for last mo. wch. is deliver'd the Accomptant.

Cashiers Accot. for last month read ballce. due fro him Pags. 2936 : 16 : 68.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. his Accot. of the Honble. Comps. Cash for last mo. read balle. due from him Pags. 29036 : 16 : 68.

A Lettr. fro. Messrs. Harrio. Beavoir and Lewis read.

Letter from Messrs. Harrison, Beavoir & Lewis by ye. Cambridge datd. the 12th. Janry. 1719/20 read ordering the ffleetwoods mony to be remitted to them by bills of Exche. on ye. Co. (to whom they are Executors.)

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AGREED that their ord^{r}. be Complied wth. as soon as possible.

AGREED their Ord^{r}. be complyd wth. as soon as possible.

M^{r}. Turner being arrived the Settlement of the employm^{ts}. of the severall Members of the Board was proposed by the President and it was at length RESOLVED that

M^{r}. Elwick should be Accompt^{t}. M^{r}. Horden Imp^{t}. & Exp^{t}. W.h.k^{r}.

M^{r}. Cooke Sea Custom^{r}. M^{r}. Fowke Paymaster.

M^{r}. Turner Land Custom^{r}. M^{r}. Benyon Storekeep^{r}.

M^{r}. Emmerson Rent^{ll}. Gen^{ll}. & Scav^{r}. M^{r}. Draper Receiv^{r}.

M^{r}. Wright Secretary, and that they should all enter upon their respective employm^{ts}. the 1st. of the next m^{o}. except M^{r}. Wright who is to enter upon that of the Sec^{rys}. forthwth.

The employm^{ts}. of the several Members of the Board settled.

M^{r}. Elwick then proposed that the Members of the Board might consist of no more than were nam'd in the Gov^{rs}. Commission and being told that M^{r}. Turton being dead M^{r}. Draper supply'd his room and that the Expedition to the West Coast (wch. would occasion a Vacancy during M^{r}. Drapers absence) was not yet laid aside, all the Members of the Board Agreed to Continue M^{r}. Wright as youngest of Council except M^{r}. Elwick who desird leave to enter his Dissent after this Consultation.

M^{r}. Elwick proposes that the Members of the Board might consist of no more y^{n}. mentioned in the Gov^{rs}. Comm̄. M^{r}. Elwick dissents to the continuance of M^{r}. Wright at the board.

The Presid^{t}. proposed to the Board the disposal of the silver upon hand, as the price was daily falling, as a large quantity was coming upon the French ships as well as ours, that we should shortly have occasion to pay our Merch^{ts}. for goods bro^{t}. in upon the new Contracts, & supply our Subordinate Settlem^{ts}. and he adds that he is advised to y^{e}. speedy sale of it by the Essaym^{r}. for the like reasons.

The Presid^{t}. proposes the Silver on hand to be sold off as its dayly fall^{g}. &

The s^{d}. proposal being AGREED to the price at wch. it should be disposed of was debated, and at length it was unanimously AGREED to sell it, at fifteen & a quarter Doll^{rs}. for ten Pag^{s}. and not under.

At length it was AGREED to sell it for 15¼ Dollars for Pag^{s}. 10.

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THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
N : TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.

Ship Mary belonging to the Honble. Company Capt. Richard Holden Command^{r}. arr^{d}. from Great Brittain but last from Fort S^{t}. David. 5.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY THE 9TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHANIEL ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.

Ship Mary arrivg last Night from Great Brittain her Packet was open'd and every thing found agreeable to the List. An ORDER sign'd to the Commandr. for sendg. ashore the Treasure &ct. he has on board.

Our Honble. Masters Ship Mary arriving last night from Great Brittain but last from Fort St. David her Packet was open'd and every thing therein found agreable to the List. Whereupon an order was sign'd to the Commander for sending ashoare what treasure, Wares and stores he had on board belonging to the Honourable Company.

The Warehouskeepr. repts. to the Board a parcell of Silver not mention'd in the Manifest, Mr. Turner produces a receipt of Mr. Mikellthwaite for freight and permissn. ORDERD the Warehouskeepr. deliver the sd. Silver to Mr. Turner.

The Warehousekeeper reports that a parcell of silver came out upon the Duke of Cambridge not mentioned either in the manifest or Invoice desiring to know the direction of the board concerning it, and Mr. Turner produceing a receipt of Mr. Mikelthwait for the freight and permission of nine thousand and fifty seven ounces of forreign silver, ORDER'D that the Warehouskeeper delivers him the said nine thousand and fifty seven ounces and that he do's the same to all others, who can produce proper certificate.

FRA : HASTINGS.
N : ELWICK.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
N : TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

10TH. Receiv'd a Generall Letter from the Depty. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 6th. Inst.

— Receiv'd a Genll. Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatm. Dated the 21st. Ulto.

— Receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mr. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepatm.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY THE 11TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. ELWICK. RICHD. HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDLL. FOWKE. NATHLL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHA. DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

A report of the Marys silver deliver'd in by Messrs. Horden, Benyon and Emmerson.

Messrs. Horden, Benyon & Emmerson, deliver in their report of the Marys Silver wch. they found according to invoice.

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Generall Letters read Vizt.

GENLL. LETTERS READ.

From the Depty. Govr. & Councill of Fort St. David by the Mary to accompany Invoice & bill of Loadg. of 200 bales of Callicoes amts. to Pags. 10096 : 7 : 31 and to acknowledge receipt of 10000 pags. sent 'em by Peons overland the 29th. ultimo.

From Ft. St. David ℗ Mary.

From the Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatm. dated the 21st. of June to accompany their Paymasters accots. and Consultation to the Ulto. Aprill & their accots. Cash to the 31st. May.

From Vizagapat. datd. the 21st. June.

From Mr. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepatm. to inclose an accot. Outcry of severall old things sold there amountg. as ℗r. accot. to [*Lacuna*].

From Metchlepat.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper delivers part of the silver into the mint to be Coin'd into Rupees for the Bay.

The Warehouskeepr. to deliver Silver into the Mint to be Coind into Rups. for ye. Bay.

AGREED that the Duke of Cambridge & Mary be despatch'd for the Bay wth. all convenient Speed.

That ye. Duke of Cambridge and Mary be dispatchd for the Bay.

Mr. Ballet according to promise in Consultatn. of the 27th. ulto. delivers in a paper as enter'd after this Consultation in order to vindicate himself against the several articles laid to his charge by Messrs. Pyke and Willy who being call'd in the same was read to 'em; Mr. Pyke deliver'd in two papers as enterd after this Consultation the one into Information against William Ballet for his breach of and contempt of the Honble. Companys orders and the other Information against Mr. Ballet for a Conspiracy to destroy the West Coast Settlements, And Mr. Pyke made use of severall arguments to prove the truth of his assertion confidently assuring the Board that he could produce a sufft. number of Witnesses of undoubted Authority that would appear personally before us & Confirm by oath his allegations against Mr. Ballet wch. he was order'd to do accordingly. He then desir'd the Liberty together wth. Mr. Willy to peruse the Moco Moco Consultations and Papers to get what light he could into that Affair. He also desires that all such Witnesses that he thought necessary on this occasion should be summon'd and that he might have a Copy of Mr. Ballets Vindication in order to make a reply thereto all wch. requests were granted and he was orderd to comit in writing what ever he had further to offer on this subject whereupon they were all dismiss'd and the matter was deferr'd till next Consultation.

Mr. Ballet delivers in a paper in Vindication of himself to the Charge laid agst. him by Messrs. Pyke and Willy.

ORDER'D that Mr. Edmund Massey be discharg'd from being a monthly Writer and that the Secretary acquaint him of it accordingly.

Edmund Massey dischargd from being a monthly writer.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine license pays into Cash Pagodas Three hundred thirty three and twelve fans. being for last mos. rent of that Farm.

Farmr. of the Arrack and Wine lycence ps. in Pags. 333 : 12 for last months rent.

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N : ELWICK.
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To the Honble. Fra^{s}. Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{e}. &c^{a}. Councill.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

Pursuant to your last order of Consultation we have examin'd the treasure that came by the Mary and find it right. We are

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

July 11th. 1720. Your Most Obed^{t}. Humble Serv^{ts}.

Richard Horden.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.

To the Honble. Fra^{s}. Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{e}. &c^{a}. Councill.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

Having in obedience to your order attended this Board in Consultation the 27th. ult^{o}. your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. were pleas'd to demand the occasion of my coming hither from Moco Moco and acq^{ted}. me wth. the heavy charge wch. Messrs. Pyke & Willy had preferr'd agst. me referring me at the same time to your Secretary for an acco^{t}. of the perticulars incerted in a Diary deliverd in by the former and a Gen^{ll}. Letter transmitted hither by the latter. Upon perusall thereof I find myself charg'd wth. crimes of so gross a nature w^{ch}. (were I guilty of 'em) would entitle me to the worst of punishm^{ts}. but as I am conscious to myself of being wholly innocent ther[e]of I shall proceed to make my defence in the best manner I am able having extracted the severall parts of my accusation from the Diary and letter beforement^{d}. and rang'd them methodically into distinct articles that the whole may appear in a clear and regular View.

M^{r}. Pyke in the 62^{d}. par^{h}. of his diary after a heap of scurrilous Invectives (agreable to his Rhodomantada way of writing) positively affirme that I had a design to make up all the acco^{ts}. of Moco Moco Factory for wch. I had Charg'd the Company so much money by setting fire to it & going away to the Dutch at Pedang appealing for the truth thereof to a letter transmitted hither by M^{r}. George Willy late of Councill there ; upon perusal of that Letter I find much the same accusation and am very well pleas'd to find also its author wch. is M^{r}. Lewis Deane so that by M^{r}. Pyke's reference to M^{r}. Willy and M^{r}. Willy's appeal to M^{r}. Deane I have at length trac'd out the author of this Accusation ; In order then to prove that M^{r}. Deny's to have laid any such thing to my charge beg leave to recite a part of a Consultation held at Moco Moco the 8th. March Last relating to that particular wch. is as follows :—

And Whereas M^{r}. Geo^{r}. Willy still persists M^{r}. Deane did tell him in Septr. last that the Cheif Councill &c^{a}. Civil power were all agreed to sett fire to the Paggar and go to the Dutch at Padang, M^{r}. " Deane in Vindicat. of the Cheifs reputation make " Oath that he never made any Such Proposalls, but on the Contrary says he has " often heard him declare to maintain the Companys Factory whilst his mony lasted " and provisions were procurable and for further security find out a Peon at his own " cost in order to be sent to Pedang for supplys and did write a Letter to the Govr. " and Councill there which M^{r}. Deane was to have been bearer of but he was " unfortunately cast away at Manduta Barr and the Prow stav'd, better that this " examinat^{n}. was made into at the first repealing but nothing of fact could be " prov'd.

I hope this recital will be sufficient to clear my Innocence in the perticular to which it relates.

I shall now proceed to the next article which is reflecting on the Government of Fort S^{t}. George and how this can ever be imagin'd agst. me I can't conceive after they had conferrd upon me the Cheifship of the Honble. Companys affairs on that side preferable to M^{r}. Pyke himself.

As to the Confining Capt. Wynn he himself has declar'd to the contrary in his Letter to his Officer which M^{r}. Pyke did not think fit to take notice of in his diary.

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As to the firing two guns at Mr. Pykes boat it was only to bring 'em too having occasion to talk further wth. him before he went on board and that is the usual signal in such cases.

As to my being interrested wth. the Councill in purchasg. Mr. Pykes things I intirely deny it but am apt to beleive Mr. Pykes attornys may not have dealt so well by him as he expected and he is willing to lay the blame on somebody.

As to my having defrauded the Compa. in the Buildings at Moco Moco It is a false and malicious aspersion and how Mr. Pyke could be a judge by staying there so little a while without the inspection of the accots. or any thing else that could give him any light into that perticular I can't comprehend, He says they cost the Compa. 27000 dollars I herewth. deliver your Honr. &ca. an accot. of their cost wth. a draught wch. amounts to Dollars 15000 to the last of April 1719 and abt. 2000 dollars since were spent in additional buildings, so that in this perticular Mr. Pyke has falsely accus'd me in no less than 10,000 dollars.

There are several other perticulars here and there in Mr. Pykes diary wch. I have not perticulariz'd in this paper for fear of being too tedious and troublesome to your Honr. &ca. and they are glanc'd me under the word they mean yt. I suppose myself and Councill, whom he terms myself and my accomplices.

I hope Your Honr. &ca. by what I have here said and what I can offer further will fully be convinc'd of my innocence in every perticular wth. wch. I am (I think) unjustly charg'd and If so I humbly desire I may have such satisfaction made me by Messrs. Pyke & Willy as your Honr. &ca. shall think a just reparation for all the damages I might possibly have sustain'd by the loss of my Charactor, the distruction of which tis evident Mr. Pyke has aim'd at, I think myself happy in having Yo. Honr. &ca. for my Judges in these affairs being satisfyd of your impartiality and whatever you determine concerng. them will be a full satisfaction to him who is wth. all possible Respect.

Honble. Sr.
Yor. Most Oblig'd Humble Servant.
Willm. Ballet.

Ship Dover Capt. Worledge arrd. from Porto Novo. 12th.

Sloop Rama Hendrick Johnson Master sd. for Fort St. David. —

Ship Raheim Hussein Coole Noquedah saild for Tonassery. 13.

Dispatch'd a Generall Letter to the Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 14th. July 1720. 14.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday the 14th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr.	
Nathaniel Elwick.	Richd. Horden.
Thomas Cooke.	Randall Fowke.
Nathaniel Turner.	Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson.	Joshua Draper.
Thomas Wright.	

Accomptant reads the Journal parcells for the month of May.

Journal Parcels for the Month of May read.

Order'd that 5600 Pags. be advanc'd the Warehousekeeper to pay for the Cowries Order'd to be provided in Consulta. the 7th. Ulto.

Warehouskeepr. advanc'd Pags. 5600 to pay for Cowries.

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Land Customr. Accot. for last Month read.

Randall Fowke Land Customer his accot. for last month read.

Choultry Customs	563	16	62.
Ruby Brokerage	51	13	67.
Registering Slaves	4	—	—.
Pags.	617 :	30 :	49.

ballce. due from him Pags. 599 : 15 : 49.

Ballance due from him Pagodas 599 : 15 : 49.

Messrs. Horden & Cooke deliver in their observatis. on the Stewards reply.

Messrs. Horden & Cooke deliver into the Board their observations upon the Stewards reply to their examinations of his accots. the said paper being read was order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation and Mr. Drake Steward was call'd in who appearing before the board was ask'd what further he had to offer on that occasion, He endeavourd to excuse himself by pleading that he had been oblig'd to Issue out his own money for provission of dieting stores for the Companys use and that he thought some allowance might reasonably be made him for the Interest of his money and for Losses wch. he might sustain by Waste.

Mr. Cooke the Paymaster then assur'd the board that he never refus'd to advance the Steward money when he came to demand it, Mr. Drake then urg'd that the exorbitant charges in his accot. (as we term'd it) were but agreable to what his Predecessors had made and such as himself had also made during the whole time he had acted in the Stewards Employ. Messrs. Horden & Cooke according to promise in their paper before mentiond then made a recapitulation of all the Facts charg'd by them upon the Steward in their report of their examination of his accots. and it appear thereby that the Steward had Charg'd from 50, 60, & 70 to 100 ₱ Cent upon most of the articles by him provided wch. we beleive Our Honble. Masters will think a very extravagant Intt. for less than a months use of money and It is to be noted that the reason of the Stewards being that time out of money was the Paymaster's having an Order from the President not to pay the Stewards bill for the West Coast provisions because that bill was then under examination and he did not know but that the board might think fit to order such a deduction to be made out of the said bill as should be judgd equivalent to the exorbitancy of the several Charges and a sufft. satisfaction for the same.

The Presidt. proposes Mr. Geo. Drake be dismissd from the Stewards Employ.

The President acquainted the board that as for refunding any part he was willing to use some Lenity towards time and was therefore desirous of referring that matter to our Honble. Masters but that as they have sent us such repeated Complaints of the excessive charge in the Stewards Accounts, and press'd us so frequently and earnestly to retrieve as much as lies in our power he thinks he cannot take a readier method to do it than by dismissing Mr. Drake from the Stewards Employ for his exorbitant Charges and unwarrantable management in it and to place some person of Integrity in his room wth. a strict Injunction to retrench the Expences as much as possible and he assures the board that he himself will have a very strict Eye over his management.

Mr. George Drake dismiss'd the service.

The Presidents Proposal, and his reasons, being some time debated, It was at length unanimously Agreed to dismiss Mr. Drake from the Stewards Employ and that he should get ready his accots. and Every thing under his Charge to be deliver'd over at the end of the month to such Person as the board should Constitute Steward in his room, Mr. George Drake being then call'd in, the President acquainted him wth. the determination of the board concerning him.

Mr. Nathaniel Elwick delivers in his paper of dissent to the present Establishmt. as also Mr. Benyon.

Mr. Nathaniel Elwick delivers in his paper of dissent to the present establishment of the board as mentiond in Consultation of the 11th. inst. (and enterd after this) Mr. Benyon began to be of the same opinion and desir'd the liberty of delivering in his dissent also to be enterd after this Consult. wch. was granted, Messrs. Draper & Wright finding themselves Chiefly aim'd at by Messrs. Elwick and Benyon in their dissentions and wondering that they should stickle so hard to get 'em excluded from

the board, whose continuance at it, could be no manner of disadvant[a]. to the Companys affairs, desird the liberty of delivering in Writing some arguments by way of refutation to those of Mess[ss]. Elwick and Benyon in order to be enter'd after this Consultat[n]. w[ch]. Liberty was granted them.

Messrs. Draper and Wright desires the liberty to deliver in their remonstrance by way of confutation to Messrs. Elwick and Benyon.

M[r]. Isaac Pike delivers in a remonstr[a]. by way of objection to M[r]. Ballets ans[r]. to his Charge the same being read it was order'd to be enterd in our copy book of Letters rec[d]. but some expressions therein being thought to reflect very much upon one of the members of this board M[r]. Pyke was Question'd concerning them but giving no satisfactory ans[r]. and behav[g]. himself in a very unbecom[g]. manner before the board he was order'd by the President to withdraw and the board agreed, to deferr taking any more notice of it untill the affair between him & M[r]. Ballet should be determin'd on a day to be appointed for that purpose that he might not have it in his power to say he had been browbeaten or intimidated by us at a time when he was giving in informations of wrongs by him suppos'd to have been done to Our Hon[ble]. Masters.

Mr. Pyke's objection to Mr. Ballets ansr. to his Charge read.

Cap[t]. Errington Commander of Ship Godfrey delivers in his report of the Condition of his Ship as enterd after this Consultation setting forth that his ship will be ready to take in the Companys goods for Europe in twenty or thirty days if necessary provisions for such a Voyage are procurable, Upon w[ch]. the President acquaints the board that the Captains of the Duke of Cambridge & Mary had promis'd to spare him some of their Europe provisions w[ch]. with what may be procurd here will be sufficient for his Voyage. Agreed that 20 Tuns of Cowrys be put aboard the Godfrey and that she be loaden with all convenient speed in order to sail in Company wth. the Hanover for Great Brittain.

The Condition of ship Godfrey deliver'd in.

That 20 Tons of Cowries be put aboard the Godfrey that she be laden wth. all convenient speed.

The President likewise acquaints the board that by a Note rec[d]. by a Cattamaran from a Ship in S[t]. Thoma road w[ch]. arr[d]. there the 13th ins[t]. he finds her to be call'd the Ostend Gally under Emperors Colours, That therefore to prevent as much as in us lyes their doing in considerable business in these parts he has summon'd all the Black Merch[ts]. and Principal Inhabitants to attend, who being call'd in he declar'd to them that whosoever is found to trade directly or indirectly or hold Any manner of Correspond[ce]. wth. them or their Agents shall have their Estates confiscated and their persons imprison'd for life.

The Presidt. acquaints the board that the Ostend Galley is in St. Thoma Road and that he had summon'd the black to appear and prohibited them upon penalty of confiscation to have any manner of dealing wth. them.

Our Hon[ble]. Masters having sent out this year a Commission appointing the Presid[t]. Mess[rs]. Jennings and Elwick extraord[ry]. Masters in Chancery wth. instructions to execute the same Wherefore tis Order'd (as M[r]. Jennings pressence is found necess[ry].) that he repairs hither with all Convenient speed.

Order'd that Mr. Jennings come up from Ft. St David wth. all convenient speed.

Fra: Hastings.
N: Elwick.
Rich[d]. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
N: Turner.
[*Lacuna.*]
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
[Tho[s]. Wright.]

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To the Honble Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Councill.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

We have perus'd the Stewards ans^{r}. to the report we lately gave your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. in relation to his acco^{ts}. and thô he begins y^{e}. answ^{r}. wth. very unhandsome insinuations We shall, If requird, give Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Sufficient proofs of our assertions As for the prizes of the severall things mention'd in our reports we had them from the shopkeepers of the Buzar the Grain & Land Custom^{rs}. Conicoplys who were best able to inform us of the prizes of the sundry goods at the Market rates but we think were there any small differences in the prizes mention'd it is in his favour thô we have endeavour'd to be as exact as the nature of the thing would admitt If your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. please to reperuse his acco^{t}. you'l find his over charges are very large and we are of opinion unwarrantable but not to trouble Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. wth. a needless repetition of what before said we shall endeavour to give you a further ans^{r}. to the Stewards papers when he appears before your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. at the Councill board. We are wth. great respect.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Yo^{r}. Most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.
Richard Horden,
Thos. Cooke.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George &c^{a}. Councill.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

The last Consultation after some affairs were transacted by the board The Honble. President was pleas'd to propose the settling the several employments upon wch. I reply'd that I thought the Councill should be first fix'd before their Employs. Whereupon he was pleas'd further to say that as the Council then sat they were but ten in number and that he had known as many formerly to sit at this board. But as Our Honble. Mast^{rs}. are pleas'd to reckon them We number Eleven. M^{r}. Jennings being second of this place thô at Fort S^{t}. David, 'Twas further urg'd by the Honble. President that M^{r}. Draper is going Supravizer to the West Coast and 'tis but few days that he wil sit here, I presume that cannot be his real sentiments but that his Opinion must be alter'd as to that affair, I observ'd him sure of his Point and ready to put it to the Vote and 'twas accordingly done, and carried Upon wch. I desir'd leave to enter my desent, And tis my real Opinion that a greater number of Persons than what is mention'd in the Comission cannot act by virtue of that Commission, and that to bring in one member to the board is a breach of our Honble. Masters Possitive orders as doth plainly appear in the Generall by the Mary.

Par. 12th. "We intend by this or the next ship to send a Commission for establishing the President and Councill.

Par. 14th. "That you the now constituted President & Council.

Par. 28th. Herewith you'l receive a Commission under our Common seal.
"appointing and constituting M^{r}. Hastings to be Presid^{t}. of Fort S^{t}. George in the
"room of M^{r}. Collet and in case of M^{r}. Hastings's death or absence then the next in
"station is to succeed In that Commission you will find a Clause impowering the
"President & Council for the time being to enquire into the mismanagement aforesaid.
"This Commission we would have publickly proclaim'd and in the most solemn
"manner at the Town Hall for the General information of all the Inhabitants and
"from thence the said President & Council are to adjourn to the Consultation room.

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" We have therein nominated the Persons who are to be of the said Council w[ch].
" you are to take the same notice of as If herein again repeated and in case of any of
" their deaths or absence that the next in succession do fil up their vacancys.

Mr. Tho[s]. Cooke returning from the West Coast supplies the vacancy Occasion'd by the death of M[r]. John Turton.

HON[BLE]. S[R].

Yo[r]. Most Obed[t]. Humble Servant

N. ELWICK.

FORT S[T]. GEORGE

JULY 9TH. 1720.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FRA[S]. HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT & GOV[R]. OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE &C[A]. COUNCIL.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

I am now to acquaint Your Hon[r]. &c[a]. That the ship Godfrey is in condition and provided wth. Stores and may be ready on receipt of orders to proceed on any Voy[a]. in twenty or thirty days to take in such of the Hon[ble]. Comp[as]. goods as shall be put aboard her. If necessary provisions can be procur'd for the support of the ships company in her Pass[a]. Having been oblig'd in our late voyage to the West Coast of Sumatra to expend mostly on our Europe salt provisions by reason no other could be got and has exhausted all our store provisions except ab[t]. five weeks So as the difficultys and Streights that we have met wth. in that Voy[a]. have not given an opportunity of a sufficient supply either of fresh or salt, Your Hon[r]. &c[a]. may please to observe the fault of our Pres[t]. want may not be imputed to any neglect of my Own[rs]. or self and If possible can be had at this port the ship may be ready to lade for Europe allowing a reasonable time to fit her as aforesaid. I am

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

JULY 11TH 1720.

Yo[r]. most obed[t]. humble Serv[t].

THO. ERRINGTON.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FRAN. HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESID[r]. & GOV[R]. OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE &C[A]. COUNCIL.

Your Hon[r]. &c[a]. doubtless remember that when I sign'd the Consultation wherein it was determin'd to continue M[r]. Wright as one of the Council, I desir'd to deliver in my reasons apart for assenting thereto, and w[ch]. I am here to acq[t]. your Hon[r]. &c[a]. I did for the reason w[ch]. is laid down that there would be a vacancy when M[r]. Draper went to the West Coast and w[ch]. it was alledg'd in the debate would reduce the board to 9 The Number nam'd in the Commission for constitut[g]. the Gov[r]. and Council of this place and that the Dep[ty]. Gov[r]. of Fort S[t]. David would make ten, Which allegation made me conclude it was agreeable to the Commiss[n]. For neither that nor the Gen[ll]. Letter were then upon the board But having since had an op[ty]. to examine both I find that among the nine persons nam'd in the Commission the Dep[ty]. Gov[r]. of Fort S[t]. David is included as one w[ch]. compleats the board accord[g]. to the Commission exclusive of Mess[rs]. Draper & Wright.

I thought it necessary to lay this before your Hon[r]. &c[a]. that it might be enterd upon the Consultation book and serve as no excuse to my Hon[ble]. Masters for assent[g]. to an act it is possible they may deem contrary to their Intentions If not their orders. I am always

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

JULY THE 18TH. 1720.

Yo[r]. Most Obed[t]. Humble Serv[t].

RICH[D]. BENYON.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1720*—

To the Honble. Fra^{s}. Hastings Esqr.
Presid^{t}. & Govr. of Fort S^{t}. Geo^{r}. &c^{a}. Council.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

According to the liberty granted us in Consult^{a}. the 14th. instant of giving in our reply in Writing to Messrs. Elwicks & Benyons Papers of dissent to our Continuance at the board We now beg leave to lay before Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. our sentiments on that occasion.

In the Commission lately arriv'd for establish^{g}. the President and Council of this place We find the following persons nam'd The Honble. Fra^{s}. Hastings Esqr. President, William Jennings Esqr. Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David, Messrs. Elwick, Horden, Fowke, Turner, Turton, Benyon & Emmerson of Council which are eight persons including the Presid^{t}. appointed Members of this board besides the Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David, When Our Honble. Masters sent out that Commission they suppos'd M^{r}. Thomas Cooke to have been at the West Coast and that is doubtless the reason why he was nam'd in the afores^{d}. Commission And as It has been always accustomary for any member of this board sent from hence to that place to preserve his title nevertheless to this Station at this board, Our Honble. Masters have acted conformable to that Custom in nominating but eight Persons at the board and thereby leaving a vacancy for M^{r}. Cooke agst. his return from the West Coast.

From what we have said we presume it will be granted that the Company did intend their President and Council here should consist of the eight Persons nam'd in the s^{d}. Comis^{n}. and that When M^{r}. Thomas Cooke return'd from the West Coast he sho'd make up the number nine and that besides them M^{r}. Jennings should be Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David wch. is exactly agreable to the Establishment made when M^{r}. Harrison was app^{ted}. Presid^{t}. here.

Having at length wth. submission to Your Hon. &c^{as}. better Judgements made good our Argument that Our Honble. Masters did intend that board should consist of nine members We desire to observe to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. how the number has been decreas'd and how supply'd, After M^{r}. Drapers admission as a member it consisted of eight Persons (M^{r}. Turton beiug order'd away to the West Coast as Supravizor) upon Mr. Turtons death (wch. hap^{d}. just after) M^{r}. Draper was app^{ted}. Supravizor in his room The board then was reduc'd to seven members and by Mr. Wrights admission it increas'd to eight, Upon Mr. Turners arrival the number arose to nine, and tho' there are now ten Persons sitting at this board the Supravizors Departure wil reduce that number to nine w^{ch}. (We think) we have prov'd to be the number intended by Our Honble. Masters to set as Members of this board and therefore of Course We have prov'd that the pres^{t}. Establishment is agreable to their intentions.

The strenuous opposition made by Messrs. Elwick & Benyon at the admission of both of us to this board grounded upon an order (wch. has been prov'd to be no order at all) would affoard some reason for people dispos'd to Judge less Charitably than ourselves) to think it proceeded from Picque and Prejudice to our persons and their late proposition of reducing the board (whereby we ourselves should have been excluded) would give such uncharitable People more Opportunity to think it proceeded from that Motive But unless it behoves us not to be of such an opinion because they have more than once declar'd that they are not mov'd to any dissuation by a spirit of opposition Contradiction or any thing else, but by a sincere regard to the Honble. Companys Interest accord^{g}. to the best of their abilitys. We are wth. the Greatest Esteem

July 14th. 1720. Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.

Yo^{r}. Most Obed^{t}. Hum^{ble}. Servants.

Joshua Draper.
Tho: Wright.

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HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &c^{A}.

Having in the body of this paper asserted that the present Establishm^{t}. of the Council is exactly agreable to the New Constitution when M^{r}. Harrison was sent out President We beg leave to subjoyn the following particulars by way of Posscript in order to prove the same.

In the 95th. Parrag^{h}. of the Honble. Companys Letter dated January 3^{d}. 1710 to this place The Establishment of the board is Ordered in the following manner.

Edward Harrison Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govr.

M^{r}. Edwd. Fleetwood second of the standing Council here in the absence of M^{r}. Raworth.

M^{r}. Thomas Frederick Third.

M^{r}. Henry Davenport Fourth.

M^{r}. William Martin Fifth.

M^{r}. Edwd. Bulkley Sixth.

M^{r}. William Jennings Seventh.

M^{r}. Bernard Benyon Eighth.

M^{r}. William Warre Ninth.

Robert Raworth Esqr. Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David.

M^{r}. Joseph Collet Dep^{ty}. Govr. of the West Coast and of Council here as appears by the 119 Parragph. of the aforesaid Letter.

We beleive Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will find the pres^{t}. establishment numerically the same.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President & Govern^{r}.

M^{r}. Nathaniel Elwick Second of the standing Council in the absence of M^{r}. Jennings.

M^{r}. Richard Horden Third.

M^{r}. Thomas Cooke Fourth.

M^{r}. Randall Fowke Fifth.

M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Turner Sixth.

M^{r}. Richard Benyon Seventh.

M^{r}. John Emmerson Eighth.

M^{r}. Thomas Wright Ninth.

William Jennings Esqr. Dep^{ty}. Govr. of Fort S^{t}. David.

M^{r}. Joshua Draper SupraVizor and Dep^{ty}. Govr. of the West Coast and of Council here next to M^{r}. Emmerson.

We hope Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will allow this to be a just and fair statement of the case and in Confidence thereof We remain

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &c^{A}.

Yo^{r}. Most Obedient Humble Serv^{ts}.

JOSHUA DRAPER.

THOMAS WRIGHT.

Dispatchd a General Letter to the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David 15
of this days date.

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SATURDAY 16.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHL. ELWICK. RICHD. HORDEN. THOMS. COOKE.
RANDL. FOWKE. NATHL. TURNER. RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER. THOS. WRIGHT.

Ship Derby arrivg. from Great Brittain her Paoquet was Open'd and everything found agreeable to the List.

Our Honble. Masters ship Derby arriving this morng. from Great Brittain and her Packet being open'd every thing therein is found according to the List Wherefore an order is sign'd to the Capt. for the sending ashoar all the treasure Wares Stores &ca. wch. belong to the Honble. Company.

FRA : HASTINGS.
[*Lacuna*].
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
N : TURNER
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

16. Dispatch'd a Generall Letter to the Presidt. and Council of Bombay dated this day.

TUESDAY 19.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
NATHLL. ELWICK. RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATHLL. TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER. THOS. WRIGHT.

Messrs. Horden, Cooke and Turner's rept. of the silver ℘ ship Derby.

Messrs. Hordeu, Cooke and Turner report that the silver ℘ Derby came out according to Invoice.

AGREED that the Derby be sent to the Bay.

AGREED that the Derby be sent to the Bay & that the Craggs be wrote for in order to go home in October.

The Presidt. acqts. the board of a Murder committed AGREED it be deferrd till next Con.

The President acquaints the board of a Murder committed upon wch. he delivers in severall depositions taken by the Commission Officers as enter'd after this Consultation AGREED that the examination thereof be deferr'd till another Meeting.

Mr. Elwicks papr. relag. to the price of silver read.

Mr. Elwick delivers in a paper relating to the price of silver wch. being read is ORDER'D to be enter'd after this Consultation.

Mint Accot. for last Month read ballee. due from him Pags. 5 : 16 : 5. Rups. 177. The formr. ps. into Cash & lattr. to ye. Warehous kr.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster reads that accot. for last month Ballance due from him Pags. 5 : 16 : 5. & Rupees 177 : 14. The former of wch. pays into Cash & the latter to Mr. Richard Horden the Warehousekeeper.

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Poncala Kistnama Tobacco & Beetle Farmer pays in Pag^{s}. 583 : 12 for the last mo^{s}. rent of that Farm.

Tobacco Farm^{r}. p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 583 : 12.

The President acquaints the board that M^{r}. Elwick having press'd him to release the Chittys on pretence of wanting 'em at sorting He call'd this Consultation on purpose to reassume that affair Having receiv'd three Letters from Goa whose Contents may probably make us come to some determinat^{n}. The said Letters are as Follow.

The Presid^{t}. acq^{ts}. the board that Mr. Elwick has several times importun'd him to release the Chittys Lett^{rs}. produc'd that came fro. Goa on that Occasion.

One from the Vice Roy of Goa to the President.

One from his Prime Minister to d^{o}. & One from the Vice Roy to Monsr. S^{t}. Hillair all which being read are ordered to be transmitted to our Honble. Masters together wth. those before receiv'd from Goa on that Subject.

wch. are ORDER'D. to be transmitted to Our Honble. Masters.

By the Vice Roy of Goa's Letter to the President it appears, that he's willing to conceal as much as possible the Chittys, and his own design, By his principal Ministers Letter to the President it appears, that he has also endeavourd to stifle the matter By writing in dark, and obscure terms, and both these Letters seem to have been contriv'd and drawn up together, for fear of contradicting each other in so nice an affair, as the endeavour^{g}. to wipe off the impressions we had rec^{d}. of the Chittys and their treachery to this Government: But we cannot at all think ourselves oblig'd to reguard the purport of those two Letters, because it can't be suppos'd, that the Vice Roy of Goa & his Prime Minister, would be engag'd in a Combination wth. the Inhabitants of this place to prosecute a design, wch. might tend to the distruction of it, and then make an ingenuous confession of their whole proceeding; The Vice Roy of Goa's Letter to Monsr. S^{t}. Hillair (between whom there has been a very great Intimacy) is the Letter then to be reguarded in this case; For tis very reasonable to suppose that the Vice Roy might communicate the real matter of Fact to his intimate Friend, and at the same time be cautious of making such a Confession to the Govrn^{r}. of a place whose Government he had endeavourd to subvert for fear of bringing himself in trouble, and Disgrace; The Purport of the said Letter being very strictly examin'd into, The following expression was remark'd. The Letter wch. he (meaning Francisco Perrera Boury) "brôt me; wth. the procuration of the "Chittys of Maddrass, as well as the Attestation of a religious Augustine (who "without doubt has abundance of Merrit) have brought me into a Labyrinth" By this Letter (which is what we are to depend upon) it appears, that the Chittys did send a procuration, or Letter of Attorney to the Vice Roy of Goa, in order to c[arry on] Criminal Correspondence wth. him as in former Consultations was s^{d}. to have been Charg'd upon them.

An Allution on the Vice Roy of Goa's Letter to the Presid^{t}.

The Opinions of all the Members of this board having been ask'd, and seperately given, It was at length put to the Vote, whether the Chittys had not been guilty of the severall Facts charg'd upon them, and whether they had not been justly imprison'd, and suspended, wch. being carried in the Affirmative, Messrs. Elwick, Benyon & Emmerson declar'd their desent.

The opinion of the Memb^{rs}. being ask'd twas put to the Vote whether the Chittys were not guilty wch. was carried in the affirmative but Mr. Elwick, Benyon and Emmerson disent'd.

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The Presidt. acquaints the board of the remissness [of Mr. Elwick] in his business.

The President acquaints the board that Mr. Elwick the Warehousekeeper has been very remiss in his business in not having given in any accot. of the Contract ever since 'twas made and in not having sorted any Quantity of Cloth since the Dawsons dispatch Thô out of a perverse, Obstinate Humour, he press'd him once, or twice while the Merchants were confin'd, for their releasement, in order to go to sorting. Whereupon Mr. Fowkes assur'd the board that he remember'd the imprisoning of Colloway Chittee (one of the Honble. Companys Merchants) during the time of sorting; Mr. Elwick finding his plea for not sorting, prov'd to be nothing else, but an excuse for Idleness, began to be much enrag'd, and told the President that it would draw very strainge storys on the Stage, and that the consequence must take its course desiring those words might be minuted *verbatim*, to wch. the President made no reply, but ORDER'D the Secretary to minute them accordingly.

FRA: HASTINGS.
[*Lacuna*].
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
N: TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVERNR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

We have examin'd the treasure that C[ame] on the Derby and find it right. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE HONBLE. SR. &CA.

JULY 19TH. 1720. Yor. Most Obedt. Humble Servants,

RICHD. HORDEN.
THOMS. COOKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

As to fixing the price of the silver ℘ the Duke of Cambridge in Consultation dated the [*Lacuna*] at 15¼ dollars ℘ 10 Pags., I intirely deny that I agreed to sell the said silver at said price but that all opportunitys of advantage should be taken, and none to be sold at greater disadvantage to the Company, Urging that as the price of silver then Govern'd it being at 14½ I thought 14 $\frac{9}{16}$. the difference might be sufficient to enforce the sale for as much as w[e] could want to dispose of, and my reasons then Given were, That our Merchants would with pleasure receive Silver for their Goods at the market price when such goods came due and payable for. I further urg'd that bringing such a Quantity of silver to market must differ the price considerably, Therefore I thought the best method could be taken with it was to give daily attendance at the Godown, and the Merchants to purchase it as they wanted it rather than to force the sale, The Honble. Company then having a flowing Cash.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

FORT ST. GEO. Yor. Honrs. Most Obedt. Humble Servant,

[*Lacuna*] JULY 1720. N. ELWICK.

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Depositions relating to the Murther taken by the Commission Officers Viz^{t}.

The Examination of William Clark:—That the 15th. at night the aforesaid William Clark [declares] that Richard Righting and Robt. Grott. come into the house betwixt the hours of two and three a Clock in the morning wth. their hands bloody and for want of Water piss'd upon their hands to wash the bloud of. he also declares that he saw Richard Riting have a large Club in his hand and went down a lane with it and threw it over the wall wch. the said Clark heard fall among the Bricks. Robt. Grott confesses that his hands were bloudy and that he staid out till two or three a Clock the s^{d}. morning in Company wth. Richard Righting and y^{t}. the great stick or Club belong'd to him wch. he brought in bloudy and afterwards was thrown over the wall by Richard Righting, Robt. Grot declares that the bloud came from a private dispute between himself and Righting they having been at a Toddy house call'd Nina's all the night.

Richard Righting denys that his hands were bloudy and also that he had any stick in his hand and does not remember that he threw the stick over the wall but he confesses that he was in Company wth. Robt. Grott from ten a Clock that night till betwixt two & three in the morning.

Francisco Padre Thomas's Gardner declares y^{t}. he saw William Clark sit at stool and at the same time saw him tear up the Ground wth. his hands and when he arose up he put something in his Pocket, and shook the dust of his hands upon wch. he immediately went to his Father and acquainted him wth. what he had seen to the truth of wch. he offers to make Oath.

Boniface d'Rozario Capt. Goughs Bellman declares that Francisco the Gardner wth. his Father came & told him that a Soldier had sat down to ease himself at Padre Thom^{s}. Garden at wch. time he pull'd up the Earth out of wch. he seem'd to have taken a purse wch. he put in his pocket whereupon the Bellman wth. many others went & saw the Hole he further declares upon being Inform'd of W^{m}. Clark's going home he made an excuse that he had lost a Clock & went into Clarks house where he saw him wth. another Soldier Sitting on a Chest or Cott and as he thôt counting a purse of mony.

William Clark possitively denys his taking purse out of the Ground and also that he did not Count any money or had any to the Proof of wch. he brings two of his Brother Soldiers Viz^{t}. Hugh Jones & Samuel Young who were wth. him.

William Clark further declares that upon Robt. Grott & Richard Ritings coming into his house being both bloudy and something merry made him suspect that they had murdered somebody and was afraid that there had been a dead Corpse in the Cookroom upon wch. he went & call'd one Samuel Waddams and told him he was afraid there was some murder done and desird the said Samuel Waddams to come wth. him and make an Excuse that he had lost his Tobacco box that they might in searching discover if there was any dead Corpse in the house.

Nina the Toddy Woman says that Robt. Grott & Richard Riting came to her house that night about ten a Clock stood about one hour and spent half a fanam in Toddy wch. is all she knows

Fort S^{T}. George.
July 19TH. 1720.

Ship Derby Capt. William Fitzhugh arr^{d}. from Great Brittain. 16.
Ship Duke of York Capt. Robt. Hyde Command^{r}. arr^{d}. from Great Brittain. —
Ship Dianade arr^{d}. from Porto Novo. 17.
Ship Munchu Capt. Dobie saild for Viz^{a}. 19.
Ship Dover Capt. Worledge saild for y^{e}. West Coast. 21.
Ship Duke of York saild for Bengall. 22.
M^{r}. W^{m}. Jennings arr^{d}. from Fort S^{t}. David. 25

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THURSDAY THE 28TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. NATH^{L}. ELWICK. RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE.. RAND^{LL}. FOWKE. NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHU^{A}. DRAPER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.

Land Custom^{r}. p^{s}. in the ball^{ce}. of his last Months Acco^{t}. beg. Pag^{s}. 599 : 15 : 49.

Randall Fowke Land Custom^{r}. pays in the ballance of last months acco^{t}. being Pag^{s}. 599 : 15: 49.

Exp^{t}. Warehouskr^{s}. Acco^{t}. for last Month read ball^{ce}. due frõ. him Pag^{s}. 200 :

Nath^{ll}. Elwick Export Warehousekeeper reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 200 : —: 70 cash.

Imp^{t}. Warehousekeep^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last Month ball^{e}. due frõ. him Pag^{s}. 929 : 30 : 9.

Richard Horden Import Warehousek^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month, ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 929 : 30 : 9.

Sea Custom^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for last Month read ball^{ce}. due from him Pag^{s}. 7931 : 21 : 16 & p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 3000.

Richard Horden Sea Custom^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 7931 : 21 : 16 of wch. he now pays in Pagodas three thousand.

Paym^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last M^{o}.

Thos. Cooke Paymaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last m^{o}. Viz^{t}.

Charges Garrison	2057	—	—
Charges Generall	667	23	—
New Warehouse	25	—	—
Charges Cattle	172	32	—
Charges Extraord^{ry}.	57	—	—
Repairs of Fortificat^{s}.	1247	17	—
Charges Diet	690	13	—
Diet Stores L^{d}. in	917	21	—
Marlborough Fort	1793	31	—
Bombay Presidency	60	8	—
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Pag^{s}.	7999	5	—

The extraordinary expence of this month is found upon examination to arise from the following perticulars

CHARGES EXTRAORD^{RY}. Viz^{t}.

Diet for Prisoners Water for Sold^{rs}. at Egmore	12	15	—			
Feasting the Military on the Kings birthday	26	18	—			
Diet for soldiers from Fort S^{t}. David, Trincomb^{r}. & Bombay	18	3	75			
				57	—	70 [*sic*]

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REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATS. Vizt.						
Repairing the Town Wall & Gunnrs. Battry.	1122	—	—			
Repairs at the Out Choultrys Garden house, Fort House &ca.	125	12	10			
				1247	17	15[*sic*]
CHARGES DIET.						
For Expences in May the Stewds. Accot. being omitted last month whilst under examinatn.	302	13	10			
MARLBOROUGH FORT for Stores ld. in as ℔ Stewds. accot. in May	1793	31	47			
DIET STORES ld. in for do. month	446	—	—			
				2542	8	57
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY paid one month's pay to sixteen Officers and Soldiers & 11 Lascars come from thence on Ship William ..				60	8	60
			Pags.	3906	35	42

Richard Benyon Storekeeper reads that accot. for last month ballance due to him Pags. 1822 : 2 : 15 wch. are ordered to be paid.

Storekeepr. reads that Accot. for last mo. ballce due to him Pags 1822 : 2 : 15.

Richard Horden Import Warehousekeeper pays in ninety thousand Pagodas accot. Silver sold out of the Warehouse at 15 dollars ℔ 10 Pagodas.

Impt. Ware houskr. ps. in Pags. 90000 Accot. silver sold.

Generall Letter from Fort St. David by Mr. Jennings, read accompanying their Cash accot. & List of packg. stuff wantg.

Genll. Letter from Ft. St. David by Mr. Jennings read.

ORDER'D that one hundred & twenty tons of Redwood and sixty tons of Lead be sent to the Bay on the Duke of Cambridge and Mary.

Tons. That 120 of Redwood [&] 60 of Lead be sent [to] the Bay.

The Accomptant reports that the Cash Accots. from Fort St. David for the months of April & May are right.

Cash Accots. Ft. St. David reported to be right.

ORDER'D that the late Choultry Dubash (who is very ill in the Cockhouse) be permitted to go to his house & that the Pedde Naigue send Talliars to take care that he do's not make his Escape.

ORDER'D that the Choultry Dubash be permitted to go to his house.

The President proposes that the advice of Mr. Oadham Essaymaster be ask'd about the sale of the rest of the Silver in the Honble. Companys Warehouse the price being fallen very considerably by the Ostenders importing so much at Covelon and the French at Pondicherry, where three ships more are daily expected. Mr. Oadham being call'd in desires leave to deliver in Writing his opinion by the next Consultation.

The Presidt. proposes that the Opinion of Mr. Oadham be ask'd relatg. to the sale of the Silver. Mr. Oadham desires leave to give his Opinion in Writing agst. next Cons.

ORDER'D that twenty Pagodas be reimburs'd Capt. Ogden for the Charges he was at during his passage from Bombay hither.

That 20 Pags be pd. Capt. Ogden for his passage from Bombay.

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That the Surgeons in the place give their opinions in Writing relatg. to Mr. Jenkinsons distraction.

ORDER'D that all the Surgeons in the Place do give their opinions in Writing relating to Mr. Jenkinsons distraction That if we find there's no probability of his recovery we may send him to Europe by first conveyance.

Mr. Russon appointed Steward. Edwd. Croke Reg. of the Sea Gate & Mr. Fulligar under the Paymr.

AGREED that Mr. Russon be appointed in the room of George Drake that Edward Croke be Register at the Sea Gate & that John Fullager be under the Paymaster.

Several Soldrs. Petition to go home.

Petitions of three Soldiers Vizt. Robt. Gear[y] John Cartright & John Lawrance read desiring leave to return to England by first opporty. they havg. serv'd their time wch. contracted for wth. the Honble. Company. Upon wch. the President acqts. the board that the Officers had often told him how weak the Garrison is lately renderd by sickness and other accidents and therefore it would be necessary that a state of the Militarv be delivered in before a request of that nature could be granted.

The state of the Military ORDER'D to be reported.

Order'd that the Commission Officers do report in Writing the state of the Millitary by next Consultation.

Mr. Draper repts that he has deliverd over the Books and paprs. in ye. Secrys. Office to Mr. Wright.

Mr. Draper reports that he has deliver'd over the Books & papers in the Secretary's Office to Mr. Wright wch. he acknowledges the rect. of.

FRA: HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
[*Lacuna.*]
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FOWKE.
N: TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

25TH. Ship Jagganacola from Ramanapatam.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

AUGUST MONDAY 1ST.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. NATHL. ELWICK. RICHD. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE. NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER.
THOMAS WRIGHT.

The Managers of Mr. Jenkinsons Estate deliver in that Accot. Currt. ballce. being Pags. 5009 : 5 : 70 wch. they pay into Cash.

Messrs. Cooke, Fowke & Draper deliver in the accot. Currt. of Mr. Jenkinsons estate to this day ballance of wch. being Pags. 5009 : 5 : 70 they pay into Cash.

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Francis Hastings Esqr. President his Acco^{t}. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month read ballance remaining Pag^{s}. 105936 : 29 : 7.

Cashiers Acco^{t}. for last Month read ball^{ce}. rem^{g}. Pag^{s}. 105936 : 29 : 7.

Capt. Errington's report relating to the ungarbld Pepper read, and is enter'd after this Consultation Orderd that the Warehousekeeper sends for it ashoar with all convenient speed.

The report of Capt. Erringtons relat^{g}. ungarbled Pepper deliver'd in.

The Commission Officers deliver in their report of the present state of the Millitary in this Garrison as enterd after this Consultation Agreed to Deferr the consideration thereof till another opportunity.

The State of the Military deliver'd in the consideration thereof deferr'd till another oportunity.

The Affair of the murder being deferr'd till this day its now reassum'd. The President acquaints the board that a Dubash boy (belonging to one of the Prisoners suspected to be guilty of the murder) was apprehended at S^{t}. Thoma who being sent for in, Deposes that he went wth. Robt. Grott his master from his house in company wth. two white men & a Woman (whose names he could not tell) to drink Toddy at a Toddy house where they staid till past 12 a Clock at night at wch. time the two men and the Woman left 'em, Then the Prisoners Grott & Righting went to a Choultry and carried a bottle of Arrack where they saw a man coverd over wth. a Clout fast asleep whom soon after they awak'd by giving Him a blow wth. a Cane and at the same time ask'd for fanams to buy Arrack; The man answer'd he had none. But receiving a blow or two more from them, he gave them one fanam then another and afterwards a third, upon continuing their usuage to him and repeating their demands, he threw down his purse and bid them look if there was any more. Then the Prisoner Righting told him If he had no more than three fanams he would give him more. If he would go with him to the Gov^{rs}. Garden, but instead of carrying him thither, they led him to another Garden near the Choultry where he afterwards heard him cry out, The Dubash further deposes that when he would have follow'd them they shoved him and bid him be gone, and as he was going away he saw Righting take the Club from Grott. After this they went to town and a soldier by name Clark (whose house they were in ask'd them how came they so bloudy who said they had been fighting. The Dubash afterwards went to look for a Matt to sleep on saw Righting look over some silver things, and upon demand[ing] leave to go home he deny'd him, Clark again ask'd them how came they so bloudy who replyd as before that they had been Fighting.

The Affair of the Murder reasumd, that a Dubash belonging to the Prisoners s^{d}. to be guilty.

Righting being sent for in and interrogated concerning what the boy had depos'd against him, says that he never had the Club in his hand but carried the Chittee into the [Garden] upon wch. he was ordered to withdraw, & Grott being call'd in says that Righting took the Club away from him and kill'd the man.

Righting examin'd.

Grott call'd in and Righting Orderd to Withdraw

Righting being brôt in again and acq^{ed}. of what his Comrade had alledg'd against him, declared that they had been drinking and that the Dubash boy told Grott that this Chittee Fellow had money, upon wch. Grot went to him & ask'd him for some when he gave him two fanams, y^{n} he dem^{ded}. two more but he would not give it them, The Deponent Writing seeing that he took him into a Garden and told him If he would not comply he would carry him to the Govern^{rs}. Garden and as they were talking together Grot struck him wth. the Club & kill'd him Grot being calld ag^{n}. denys what is laid to his Charge & being ask'd where the Chittys Silver Girdle, his earings & other things were, averr that Righting took 'em and he has heard nothing of 'em since upon wch. Righting was again sent for and ask'd the same Question who ans^{d}. that the Dubash boy took them off wch. is all that he knows of the matter.

Righting call'd in again.

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Clark examin'd of w^{t}. he knew in this affair.

Clark (In whose house they went) being ask'd what he knows of this affair declard that seeing them Bloudy he ask'd them the occasion of it who reply'd that they had been fighting wth. wch. being dissatisfy'd he went to one Samuel Waddams and told him that he suspected some body to be murderd in the Cookroom and desir'd that he would go home wth. him to search the Cookroom wch. he did, but found nothing.

That this Affair be deferr'd till another Oportunity.

AGREED that this affair be deferr'd till another Opportunity.

FRA: HASTINGS.
W^{M}. JENNINGS.
[*Lacuna*].
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
N: TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRA^{S}. HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

This Honble. board having propos'd to me to take the Pepper wch. was laden on board Ship Godfrey at the West Coast home on the said Ship at half freight; I humbly begg leave to represent to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. that I cannot in Justice to my Own[ers] submit to those conditions, The Freight Agreed by my Charterparty was £22 : 10s when we was design'd for a pepper ship, But as she is now to be laden home wth. Bales I must Insist on the Freight mention'd in Charterparty for so much of the Pepper as shall take up any bulk; As to what is shot among the Bales I submit to Custom Or in case Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will not continue the Pepper aboard on these terms or as it is otherwise agreed on in Charterparty at £18 : 15s ℔ Ton the whole Quantity I humbly beg leave it may be referr'd home to be adjusted between the Honble. Court of Directors and my Owners, I am

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.
AUGUST THE 1ST. 1720. Yo^{r}. most Obedient Humble Servt.
THO^{S}. ERRINGTON.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRAN^{S}. HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. &C^{A}.

In obedience to your Hon^{rs}. &c^{a}. orders we have inspected the state of the Millitary. In Generall we find the Number of Europeans to be 290, of the Black 247, Of the first 32 belong to Fort S^{t}. David.

We also think fit to acquaint you of the great Mortallity that has been and may be expected on the fall of the rains because of the low State of health many of Our men are in The Consideration of wch. and the many Guards we have, is humbly submitted to Your Hon^{r}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE, ALEXANDER FULLERTON.
AUGST. Y^{E}. 1ST 1720. JOHN GOUGH.
ALEXAND^{R}. SUTHERLAND.

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AT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 4TH.

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. NATHL. ELWICK. RICHD. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER. THOS. WRIGHT.

Petition of Manœl D' Irango read, setting forth that several of Francisco Pereira's goods wch. were order'd to be deliver'd him were detain'd by Ester Gregora the sd. Pareira's Wife and that upon demanding them of her she had deny'd she knew anything of them. ORDER'D that the Secretary goes to the sd. Ester Gregora's house & demand the goods of her, reporting her ansr. to the board.

Petition of Manœl de Irango read.

GENERALL LETTERS read Vizt.

Genll. Lettrs. read.

From the Cheif and Council of Moco Moco dated the 30th. May 1720 to inclose a Duplicate of their General Letter & Consultat. wch. they sent ℔ the Godfrey and were forwarded from Metchlepatm. by Capt. Greenslate in the Francis who arriv'd there the [*lacuna*].

From Moco Moco datd. the 30th. May 1720.

From the Cheif and Council of Fort St. David ℔ Sloop Ramah wth. Invoice and bill of lading for seventy bales of Callicoes sent hither upon her amounting to Pags. 3770 : 5 : 35.

From Ft. St. David ℔ Sloop Ramah.

From the President and Council of Bombay Dated the 30th. May advisg. of the St. George's arrival from Great Brittain the 24th. do. and that, she had brôt them 40 Chests of treasure & 70 men.

From Bombay datd. the 30th. May.

ORDER'D that the Bombay Lieutenant (who came hither upon the William) be advanc'd three months pay.

That the Bombay Leiutenant be advanced three Months pay.

ORDER'D that Robert Grott and Richard Righting be discharg'd from the Millitary Service in order to proceed on their tryall.

That Grott and Righting be discharg'd from the Military.

Grott being call'd in and ask'd for the silver girdle wch. belong'd to the Chittee who was murder'd, said he gave it to Riteing the same thing being demanded of Riting he reply'd that the Black boy had both the Girdle and Earings and what became of them afterwards he could not tell.

Grott ask'd for the Gold and Silver Trinketts belonging to the Chittee.

The Prisoners being all dismiss'd the room the Board debated upon the Affair for some time and then unanimously pronounc'd them Guilty of the Murther But the Honble. Company having not yet procur'd to bring to an Execution It was AGREED they should be continued in Prison and Whip'd very severely every week as a Punishment for the disorders they committed as soldiers.

The Prisoners dismiss'd and the board debated upon the Affair they came to a result that they should continue in Prison & whip'd severely every week.

The Petition of John St. Hillair read as enterd after this Consultation desiring leave to reside as an Inhabitant of this place & setting forth that since his arrival from Manilha he has been unjustly prosecuted for several debts he contracted there wch. are not justly due. He therefore desires the said obligats. when any appears may not be esteem'd as Valid or admitted to action against him which being a thing as unreasonable for him to ask as improper for us to GRANT that part of his request is rejected.

Jno. St. Hillair's Petition read as enter'd after this Cons.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720—

The Honble. Compy. ordering Mr. Duncan Munro as Cheif Surgeon of this Garrison

The Honble. Company having in the 85th. Parragh. of their Letter by the Duke of Cambridge appointed Mr. Munro Cheif Surgeon of this Garrison on the 1st. Vacancy in that Post and Mr. Robson being lately decd. Whereupon the said Mr. Munro was admitted as youngest Surgeon

ORDER'D he do now take place accordingly.

ORDER'D that he do now take place as Cheif Surgeon of this Garrison according to the Honble. Companys directions.

The Compy. disaprovg. of entertaining any servts. in India

The Honble. Company having also in the 107th. Parragh. of the same Letter disapprov'd of our Entertaining Danl. Taudin & Edmund Massey and possitively declar'd that they will not have any persons admitted into their service but such as they send out

ORDER'D that Geor. Toriano and Nathaniel Ross taken in as Factors be dismiss'd.

ORDER'D that George Torriano (who was taken in as a Factor for 3 Years) and Nathaniel Ross who was taken in as a Factor for the West Coast be dismiss'd from the Honble. Companys service Edmd. Massey having been before discharg'd and Daniel Taudin laid down & gone to Bombay.

Mr. Elwick dissents to the dismissn. of Geo. Toriano.

Mr. Elwick then dissented to the dissmission of Mr. George Torriano from the Honble. Companys service, He said that matter had been referr'd home and We could not yet have an answr. to it, but the sence of the parragh. aforenam'd being thought to extend to all persons admitted into the Honble. Compas. Service here as well as to Messrs. Taudin & Massey It was judg'd proper to enter a Copy of it wch. is as follows:—

Parrth. 107. " We have consider'd the clauses o your Letters about entertain-" ing Daniel Taudin a Factor & Edwd. Massey a Writer & approve of neither We " will have none taken in but such as we send out. It discourages them to have " others put over their heads Wherefore lay them aside."

Mr. Nathaniel Elwick proposes that, that pt. of ye. Govrs. Commissn. relatg. to ye. enquirey into Govr. Collets managemt. be publickly read in ye. Town hall.

Mr. Nathaniel Elwick proposes to the board that that part of the Governrs. Commission wch. is call'd a Commission of Enquiry for the examining into the severall mismanagemts. suppos'd to have been done by Mr. Collet, should be read in the Town Hall publickly for the Information of all the Inhabitants.

The proposal debated.

The said proposal being debated It was argued that the Commission of Enquiry was order'd to be read & proclaim'd in the Town hall upon supposition that Mr. Collet was himself upon the spott as a preparatory solemnity to our Examinatn. and enquiry into the several Facts charg'd upon him by Mr. Frederick but that as he was not upon the Place to ansr. for himself We could not by any means think it proper to exhibit such a Charge and therefore of Consequence 'twould be to no purpose to publish to the world that we had a power wch. the Circumstance of Mr. Collets departure prevented us from making any use of and the case is the same wth. respect to the Powers Issu'd out of Chancery.

It was urg'd the Commissn. has been allready read in the Cons̃. room.

It was further argued that the said Commission (in wch. the Commission of enquiry was incerted) had been publickly read in the Consultation room before the Honble. Companys servants both Civil & Military as well as the Inhabitants of the Place just after it was receiv'd, and that was judg'd sufficient.

Mr. Elwick insistg. still upon the Execution of it.

Mr. Elwick nevertheless insisting upon the immediate Execution of his proposal it was then put to the Vote and rejected by every one but himself.

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Mr. Elwick then propos'd that that part of the Honble. Companys Letter by the Duke of Cambridge relating to the immunitys lately granted by them to the Inhabitants should be affix'd at the Sea Gate. But the Honble. Company havs. strictly enjoyn'd us to keep their Letters as secret as possible instead of exposing them at the Sea Gate The board did not think fit to favour Mr. Elwick's Motion for that Reason.

Mr. Elwick proposes that the immunitys grantd. the Inhabitants be affixd at the Sea Gate. But the Board refus'd to comply wth his proposals.

FRA : HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS [ESQE.]
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CE. COUNCILL.

THE HUMBLE. PETITION OF JOHN ST. HILLAIRE

SHEWETH

THAT Your Petitioner being formerly an Inhabitant of the Citty of St. Thomas was severall times very greatly and unjustly oppress'd by the Moors Governmt. there, wherefore Your Petitioner being oblig'd to withdraw from such Vexatious and oppressive habitation and knowing how happy the Inhabitants dwell under an English Government Humbly implores Your Honr. &ca. to permit him and his Family to dwell here under Your Honrs. Protection promising to exert himself on all occasions to serve the Rt. Honble. English East India Company as If he was a native of Great Brittain.

And Your Petitioner further sheweth that since his arrivall to this Coast from Manilha he hath been very unjustly prosecuted for several debts he formerly contracted at New Spain and that place thô the said Debts are not due nor the Demands Lawfull Your Petitioner (as he can prove well) having lost all his Effects in a boat sending them on board a Galleon wch. Lay sixty Leagues distance from the Harbour of Manilha Whereby Your Petitionr. was so far reduc'd that (he can also prove) he brot. with him to this Coast not above the Value of One hundred Dollars.

And Your Petitioner further sheweth that several Letigious Persons Armenians &ca. have & do make it their Business for a small matter to buy up his Papers and Obligations at Manilha &ca. places in order to prosecute him for the whole amount of such obligations under the Moors Government as they did last Year Wherefore Your Petitioner humbly Prays Yor. Honr. that no such papers may be valued or admitted in Action against Your Petitioner especially considering that severall Persons who had the Misfortune to meet wth. such losses as Your Petitioner in Manilha are not troubled as Your Petitioner hath been in these parts, Your Petitioner Prays Your Honrs. &ca. favour and protection and shall as In Duty bound

EVER PRAY &CA.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

Monday ye 8th. In y^{e}. morning.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.	PRESID^{T}. & GOVERN^{R}.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.	NATHANIEL ELWICK.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints the Board that he has call'd this Cons. on extraordinary Occasion that is to lay before them a declaration of the repeat^{d}. affronts he has rec'd from M^{r}. Elwick as also his incapacity for the Comp^{s}. business.

M^{r}. Elwick ord^{d}. to wth. draw.

The President acq^{ts}. the board that he has call'd this Consultation on a very extraordinary occasion in ord^{r}. to lay before us a declaration concerning the Repeated affronts that he had receiv'd from M^{r}. Nathaniel Elwick a member of this boar'd and also his Incapacity for the service of the Honble. Company. The said Declaration being read before the board (as enter'd after this Consultation) and Duly Consider'd M^{r}. Elwick was ORDERD to withdraw In pursuance of the Honble. Companys orders that no memb^{r}. of the board should Continue sitting while such cases relat^{g}. to himself were examining.

The Presid^{ts}. Declarati. maturly consider'd and most of the Members Agreed to the truth of the several Articles alledg'd agst. him.

M^{r}. Elwick being withdrawn the Presidents Declaration was more maturely consider'd and most of the Members of the board AGREED that one or other of them was assur'd of the truths of all the Facts Charg'd on M^{r}. Elwick by the President in relation to his behaviour at this board as well as in the Place.

The Facts to prove his incapacity was then consider'd, whereupon M^{r}. Draper delivers in a paper (as enterd after this Cons.)

The Facts alledg'd to prove his Incapacity were then Consider'd and thereupon M^{r}. Draper deliver'd in a report (as enterd after this Consultation) was read and observ'd to prove one Article of M^{r}. Elwicks remissness. All the other Instances of his Negligence were well enuff known to most of the Members of the board & therefore did require no further Proof.

The Presid^{s}. resolution to sitt no longer at the board if M^{r}. Elwick continu'd.

The Latter Clause of the Presidents Declaration was then Consider'd wherein he pleas'd to publish his full resolut^{n}. to sit no longer as President at this board If M^{r}. Elwick should continue a Member of it.

References had to the Comp^{s}. Letters to find out an Instance of the like nature, but no were to be found. The Presid^{t}. desires y^{e}. Opinions of the board whither M^{r}. Elwick had not incurrd suspension.

Upon recourse to the Honble. Companys Lett^{rs}. in order to find out some directions in such out of the way cases, no such appear'd and therefore We judg'd it a Case of an Extraordinary nature, We observ'd however y^{t}. suspension (in severall parag^{hs}.) is made a Penalty of a refractory disorderly behaviour as well of Negligence & remissness in business. And apart of the 4th. Clause of the 109th. parr^{h}. of the Letter by the Duke of Cambridge referring thereto; The President desir'd the Opinion of the board If M^{r}. Elwick has not incurr'd the Penalty of Suspension.

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The Matter being debated for some time The Board thought fit to come to the following agreement.

The matter for some time debated.

That as M^{r}. Elwick on acco^{t}. of his refractory, disorderly & Insolent behaviour to the President has most Justly incurr'd the Penalty Order'd by Our Honble. Masters to be Inflicted in such cases as well as on acco^{t}. of his negligence & remissness in his business (wch. penalty is no less than suspension) and as the Honble. President has been pleas'd to put the matter upon so important an Issue as to declare to us all that he will not sit any longer as President, If M^{r}. Elwick is continued at this board, We think ourselves under a necessity of suspending [Mr. Elwick who has been guilty of remissness in his Business as well as of indecent behaviour to the President and to the rest of the board rather than to part] wth. the President who has so long suffered M^{r}. Elwicks Insolence & pass'd by his Remissness as well as behav'd himself to us all, with. the Greatest Candour, Mildness, & decency Imaginable. It is therefore

The Members of the board think themse'ves obligd to suspend M^{r}. Elwick upon y^{e}. result of the Presid^{t}. in asserting in a most possitive manner y^{t}. if M^{r}. Elwick continued at the board, to sitt no longer as Presid^{t}.

Agreed & Resolv'd that M^{r}. Nathaniel Elwick be suspended forthwith from the Honble. Companys Service (*Officio et beneficio*) till the Honble. Comp^{as}. Pleasure can be known concerning him.

therefore Agreed & Resolv'd to suspend M^{r}. Nathaniel Elwick till the Honble. Comp^{s}. pleasure can be known concerning him.

As Every member of the board was allowed to give his opinion on this as well as on all other occasions very freely Messrs. Turner & Benyon Declar'd that they could not agree to suspend M^{r}. Elwick Because they thought the Honble. Companys orders did not allow of a sufficient Latitude for so doing Althô they could not but Confess that he had not behav'd himself to the President so respectfully as he ought to have done.

Messrs. Turner and Benyon dissented.

There being a Vacant post, by M^{r}. Elwicks Suspension The Employm^{ts}. of the Council were settled In the following manner—M^{r}. Richard Horden Accomp^{t}.; M^{r}. Thos. Cooke Warehousek^{r}., M^{r}. Randal Fowke Sea Cus^{r}., M^{r}. Nath^{ll}. Turner Paym^{r}., M^{r}. Rich^{d}. Benyon Land Custom^{r}., M^{r}. John Emmerson Storekeeper, M^{r}. Joshua Draper Rentall Generall & Scavinger & M^{r}. Thos. Wright Receiver.

The Imploym^{ts}. of the Council reestablish'd from the vacancy Occasion'd by M^{r}. Elwicks suspension.

Ordered that M^{r}. Elwick do resign all the books & papers in the Accomp^{ts}. Office to M^{r}. Horden and the Import Warehouse to M^{r}. Cooke.

That M^{r}. Elwick surrender the Accompt^{s}. Office to M^{r}. Horden & the Imp^{t}. Warehouse to M^{r}. Cooke.

The Purport of Mr Drapers rep^{t}. ment^{d}. in the foregoing p^{t}. of this Consult^{n}. being ag^{n}. Considerd Ord^{D}. that the Secretary do collect in the debt wch. has been so long due from the Old Farmers of the measuring Duty amo^{ts}. to Pag^{s}. 170 : 30 & pay the same into Cash.

The purport of M^{r}. Drapers report considered Order'd the Secr^{y}. collet the debts due frõ the old measuring Farmers amount^{s}. to Pag^{s}. 170 : 30.

A petition in the behalf of the Owners of Ship Ann read (as enter'd after this Consultat^{n}.) desiring that the produce of the China Junk and Cargo that were sold here some time since may be paid them wch. is ord^{d}. to be done Agreable to the Honble. Comp^{as}. ord^{rs}. in their Letter by the Duke of Cambridge.

A petition in relation to the Owners of Ship Ann read as enter'd after this Cons̃.

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A Rept. of the good condition of Ship Godfrey deliver'd in the Warehouse-keepr. ORDER'D to lade her wth. all convent. Speed.

A Report of the good Condition of the Ship Godfrey being deliver'd in (as enter'd after this Consultation) The Warehousekeepr. was thereupon order'd to load her wth. all Convenient Speed.

FRA: HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

A DECLARATION made by Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. to rest of the Council in Consultation the 8th. day of August 1720.

GENTLEMEN,

As you must all be (doubtless) sensible that the design of our Constant assemblys here is to Consult wth. each other about such measures as are most proper for advancing the Interest of our Honble. Employers You must likewise be sensible that nothing can contribute so much to the enabling us to think and to act What is most for the advancement of their Interest as to think and to act wth. Mildness Calmness and Moderation and in order to this a decent modest behaviour and a becoming difference and respect to myself as President and to each other (which will always preserve Decorum) are of absolute necessity.

But instead of meeting wth. such a behaviour from the Person who has been some time next to myself at the board and who ought to have shown a good example to others I have ever since my accession to this Chair been affronted abus'd & insulted and Maltreated by him, I mean Mr. Nathaniel Elwick, You must all be sensible wth. what arrogance he has behav'd himself at this board to myself in particular and of my long forbearance to resent it wch. has made him more and more Insolent till at length he is become insufferable and this I shall now make appear.

In Consultation the 19th. Ultimo I thought myself oblig'd in Justice to my Honble. Masters to represent to you his negligence and remissness in the Warehouse that they might thereby have an opportunity of seeing how little he had deserv'd the very great favours they had conferred on him and how much they were mistaken in the Qualificats. of the man Mr. Elwick being enrag'd at it did by way of revenge against me for that representation immediately tell the board that it would draw strainge storys on the stage and that the Consequence must take its Course. You may remember Gentlemen I return'd no answer to that menace but order'd what he had said to be minuted *verbatim* at his desire. It is now three Weeks since that Consultation was held sevll. others have been held in the *Interim* and Mr. Elwick has not once offer'd to explain himself on that Occasion so that the reflection remains upon my character without any satisfaction being made me for the reproach.

In the Paper of Desent wch. Mr. Elwick deld. in agst. Messrs. Draper & Wright enterd after the Consultatn. of the 14th. ultimo he has taken a very unbecoming Liberty wth. my Character He tells the board therein very plainly that I speak what I do not think and that when I am sure of the Point I put things to the Vote. These Reflections I have hitherto pass'd by In hopes he would soon have been Sensible of his Errors But I am now sorry to find those hopes turn'd into dispair.

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Upon the Dismission of M^r^. George Torriano from the Honble. Companys service the last Consultat^n^. (in pursuance of a possitive order that none such should be continued) M^r^. Elwick being much enrag'd (for no other apparent reason than that of M^r^. Torriano's being a Servt. to him in a private Capacity) Sawcily ask'd me as I was ris^g^. from Consultation when I would proceed in the affair of the Chittys who had been very ill us'd, repeating their ill usage to me twice or thrice after the Consultation was broke up He also urg'd before I could reply that they had been unjustly confin'd a long time and deny'd the necessarys of Life, He was no sooner gone but I sent for the Choultry Dubash who has the Principal care of those Prisons where the Chittys are confin'd and ask'd him in the Presence of Messrs. Draper & Wright concerning their treatment, He replyd that they wanted for no manner of Sustenance and that they were at that time in as good health as ever they had been, The Choultry Dubash and others who have the care of that Prison will no doubt declare the same before this board and as for their Imprisonment It is by order of this board for Criminal Correspondencys agreed & sign'd to by M^r^. Elwick himself and therefore his Scandalous, False & Mallicious Aspersion is not only an Obloquy thrown upon myself Bnt upon all the Members of this board since they all Consented and sign'd to their Imprisonment for the reason before Given.

Thus Gentlemen I have laid before you the particulars of M^r^. Elwicks Insolent Behaviour towards myself as well as towards the several Members of this board. I shall now proceed to represent to you his General behaviour Since my accession to this Government. Most of you must needs be acquainted how Industrious (It is said) he has been in perswading both the English and Native Inhabit^s^. of this place into a Motion that the Company would appoint him to this Government and Displace myself; The consequences of this have been frequent Caballs Irregular Assemblys and Degrees of Conspiracy to bring over the People to affront my Person and the dignity of my Post, being prompted by a Notion that it was their private Interest to dispise myself thô then Governour In hopes my Government would not be of long Continuance, some of you Gentlemen must needs be well acquainted with what I have often told you that what I apprehended from those practices was little less than Mutiny several Corruptions having been endeavour'd where they were most likely to take effect and some were too likely to have succeeded.

Having thus given you an acco^t^. of M^r^. Elwicks behaviour I shall now lay before you some parts of the Honble. Companys orders wch. I think will prove the unwarrantableness thereof, In Page 57 of the book of Standing orders now lying before the board you will find this Parrrg^h^. applicable to the Present subject.

"When any of our Council differ in Opinion from the President let their "objections be made in such a decent manner as is due to the Person whom we have "entrusted wth. the Cheif authority of that place, before whom we will always have "the Ensigns of that authority born."

In the latter Clause of the 109th. Parrag^h^. of the Honble. Court of Directors Letter by the Duke of Cambridge lately receiv'd they are pleas'd to enjoyn all the members of this board to behave themselves in a modest and respectfull manner & whether M^r^. Elwick has behav'd himself to me in such a manner and Whether a behaviour contrary to what is before Order'd by our Honble. Masters is not breach of their Orders I desire you to declare.

As for M^r^. Elwicks Refractory, disorderly, wayward, factious, seditious, turbulent and arrogant behaviour You'l find the Companys sentiments on such occasions interspers'd among their several Letters.

Gentlemen

I have now laid before you an acco^t^. of M^r^. Elwicks Ill behaviour I have given you a specimen of the Honble. Companys Orders in relation to such a behaviour and make a reference to you for your Opinions thereupon, I shall now give you three Instances that M^r^. Elwick is no more fit for the Station he has born and that wch. he now bears on acco^t^. of his Quallifications than he is on acco^t^. of his demeanour.

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In January last before Mr. Collets depart. Mr. Elwick in order to magnify his Performances in ye. Warehouse assur'd him that there were 1200 Bales on hand wch. would be sufficient to fill up the Dawson on her arrival here without sending her to Fort St. David and thus the Compa. were advis'd in the 5th. Parragh. of our Letter to them by the Kg. William in January last when Mr. Collet was departed and the Dawsone arrivd I began to examine into the Number of bales that were ready to put on board her and I found Mr. Elwick had been Guilty of a strange misrepresentation The number of Bales fell so very far short of what he had assur'd the board there were on hand that we were oblig'd to send the ship to fill up at Fort St. David wch. Occasiond a very great Loss of time and much endanger'd her passa. It being so late as the 22d. of February last before she saild from thence for England.

In Consultation the 19th. ultimo (You know) I represented to you Mr. Elwicks remissness in the Warehouse in not having sorted any Cloth since the Dawsons departure thô out of a perverse Obstinate temper when the Chitty Merchants were under confinement he demanded their releasement in order (as he said) to go and sort some Cloth, One of the Members of this board did in that very Consulta. declare that Colloway Chittee was under Confinement at the time of his being One of the Honble. Companys Merchts. and that nevertheless the Cloth was duly brôt. in & sorted wch. is sufficient to prove that there is no necessity for the Merchants being present during the time of sorting and Consequently proves that Mr. Elwicks excuse for not sorting on accot. of the Merchants confinement is only a weak & groundless pretence for Idleness wch. is sufficient to convince you of his remissness in the Warehouse business.

I shall next endeavour to convince you of his Negligence in his place of Accomptant, The Gomasters of the Rt. Hand Merchants at Fort St. David have pressd me from time to time for payment of the Balla. of their account for the month of May last amounting to several thousand Pagodas, that Accot. was deliver'd to Mr. Elwick the Accomptant the next Consultation after it was recd. in order to be examind and the reason of Its not being yet paid arises from Mr. Elwicks not having reported that Accot. to be right and this may give the Merchants a handle to accuse us of not being Punctual in our Payments wch. may possibly prove a discredit to the Honble. Company and Consequently a very great prejudice to their affairs.

In Mr. Drapers report to this Board herewth. deliver'd you, You will find he observ'd in the time of his Secretaryship that Mr. Elwick had Omitted to lay before you the Purport of what he himself has now represented to you and deferr'd acquainting you therewth. for some time, But beleiving it to no purpose to wait any longer he thought it better to Interpose in an affair wch. did not properly fall within his own employment than to sit still and see the Honble. Compa. suffer by not having their Debts duely Collected in.

I shall now comprize the whole of what I have said in a very few words and then referr the matter to your Consideration, I think in my Conscience that Mr. Elwick is not fit to remain at this board on accot. of his Insolent behavr. at it, and also on accot. of his Incapacity and Negligence, and therefore I now declare to you all that I am fully resolv'd not to sit any Longer as President, If he is Continued a Member of it, To wch. Declaration I have set my hand in Fort St. George this 8th. day of August 1720.

FRANS. HASTINGS.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

Having observ'd whilst I acted as Secretary that there was a ballance due from the old Measuring Farmers upon their dissmission from that Employmt. I waited a Considerable time In order to see If Mr. Elwick the Accomptant would make a rept. thereof to the board that the same might be demanded of them but finding it hitherto Omitted to be done I have thought it proper to acquaint Yor. Honr. therewth. although it does not fall within the business of my own perticular Employmts.

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Poncala Rajah Gopall & Chattaputty Tanna Moorte late farmers of the measuring Duty havg. been accus'd of acting contrary to the Articles of Agreement Stipulated in their Cowle It was thereby forfeited and a New One Given to Poncala Kistna the 20th. Octr. 1718 The last paymt. wch. the aforesd. old Farmers made was to the 13th. August 1718 so that there remains due from them 2 mos. & 7 days rent of that Farm wch. at Pags. 820 ℔ annum amounts to Pagodas 170 : 30 fa. : as may be found upon examination, I doubt not but Your Honr. &ca. will order the same to be demanded of those people and Excuse the trouble I may ℗haps by some be thôt to give by intermedling in an affair wch. does not immediately come within my Own ℗ticular province. I am wth. all Possible Respect

Fort St. George   Honble. Sr. &ca.

the 8th. August 1720.   Yor. Most Obedient Humble Servant

Joshua Draper.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday the 8th. In the afternoon.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr.

William Jennings. Richard Horden.

Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.

Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.

John Emmerson. Joshua Draper. Tho. Wright.

The Choultry Dubash being call'd in & ask'd in what Manner The Chitty Merchts. were treated at the Choultry he replyd that they had every thing they wanted from their own houses that they look'd as well now as ever and that he could bring several people to allege that they never have been maltreated since they have been under Confinement. He further adds that upon the Presidents sending him to them to ask 'em whither they would sign the Paper wch. they had formerly sign'd they reply'd they would not do it till they had spoke wth. the President. The Choultry Dubash call'd in and asked in what manner the Chittys were treated.

Agreed that the President discourse them and rept. the same to the board. Agreed the Presidt. discourse them and rept. the same.

Randall Fowke Land Customer reads that account for last Month Vizt. Land Customrs. accot. for last month read.

Choultry Custom	363	2	25
Ruby Brokerage	70	2	6
Registering Slaves	8	—	—
	441	8	31

Ballance due from him Pagodas 421 : 29 : 31. ballce. due from him Pags. [*Lacuna*]

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Wine & Arrack Licence pays in Pags. 333 : 12 the last months rent of that Farm. Farmr. of the arrack & Wine lycence ps. in Pags. 333 : 12 for last months rent of that ffarm.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720*—

The Surgeons rept. of Mr. Jenkinsons distractions deliver'd in.

The Surgeons deliver in their report of Mr. Jenkinsons distraction (as enter'd after this Consultation) setting forth that his going into a Cold Country may probably contribute to restore him Wherefore tis ORDER'D that he be sent upon the Hanover and that his trustees provide every thing necessary for the Voyage.

Messrs. Pyke & Ballets affair reassum'd & twas determin'd to referr it home to the decition of Our Honble. Masters.

The Dispute between Messrs. Pyke & Ballet having been several times brôt. before this board and this day being appointed for it's decission They were both call'd in and the President demanded of Mr. Pyke what more he had to say against Mr. Ballet upon wch. he gave in several long and tedious Papers full of bitter and Malicious Invectives, and brought in George Witty, Elias Cartwright and James Chatelier to prove what he had before alledg'd against him, Upon summg. up the whole, We find the Evidences only affirm that they heard so and so but that they could prove nothing from their own knowledge, so that all Mr. Pyke has delivd. in appears to the board to be thrô Picque and Prejudice to Mr. Ballet who has always shown himself to be a person well affected to the Company perticularly by his advancg. Several large sums of money to preserve the Northern Settlements When our People were in distress after Marlbrô was cutt off, and as Mr. Pyke has given in not one Substantl. Proof of what he alledg'd against him We cannot in Justice condemn Mr. Ballet However 'tis AGREED to referr the Dispute home to the Honble. Company for their final determination.

FRA: HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH: TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

On the 10th. of January last Mr. Thos. Robson late decd. and I were sent for to visit him We found him afflicted wth. a Mania or Malancholly madness havg. a deprivatn. of Imaginatn. and Judgement Accompany'd wth. great rage and Anger but without Fever.

We administer'd to him from time to time what is practicable in those cases as Emeticks Cephalicks &ca. havg. had several Intermitions and Cheifly towards the New Moon at wch. time he acts and Speaks wth. a great deal of Vivacity as is accustomary wth. those People in that deplorable Condition.

He never could be perswaded to take Physk. voluntarily but always oblig'd to have the assistance of two other men being of Opinion that the Change of Climate may contribute much towards his recovery Because these Southerly Monsoons affect the Nerves and animall Spirits in a great degree I wish he may be able to Justify the same.

FORT ST. GEORGE ANDREW PEITCHEIR.

JULY THE 30TH. 1720.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720*——

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presid^t^. & Govr. of Fort S^t^. George &c^a^. Council.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Having Visitted M^r^. Thomas Jenkinson for some days and being Inform'd by the Surgeon that now attends him of the method after wch. he was treated since the beginning of his Illness We beleive that going to a cold Country (wch. himself earnestly desires) may contribute much to restore him.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Yo^r^. Most humble Servants

Dun. Munro.
Hugh Hopkins.
James Chatelier.

At a Consultation

Present

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^t^. & Govr. — Thursday 11.
William Jennings. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper. Tho: Wright.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Fort S^t^. David to inclose Invoice and bill of load^g^. for forty bales sent on sloop Amity, and likewise their Cash acco^t^. for last month ballance of wch. being no more than 1763 : 10 : 51. *Gen^ll^. Lettr. fro. F^t^. S^t^. David.*

Agreed that twenty thousand Pagodas be sent them Overland under the charge of Forty Peons as a Supply for their Cash. *Pag^s^. 20000 sent overland to F^t^. S^t^. David.*

M^r^. Nathaniel Turner Paymaster deliv^rs^. in a report (as enterd after this Consultation) representing that the Gallery of the Choultry Lodgings is much out of repair and that If some thing be not speedily done to it It will be liable to fall down. The whole Charge of which will be about Sixty Pagodas. He also represents that the Presses in the Accomp^ts^. Office are very old & unservicable and that there is great want of convenient Places to keep the books & papers from the Vermin. *The Paymr^s^. rept^t^. of the Gallery of the Choultry Lodgings deliverd in (as enter'd after this Cons.)*

Order'd that the Choultry Gallery be repair'd wth. all convenient speed and that three large Presses be made for the use of the Accomp^ts^. Office. *Order'd the Choultry Gallery be repair'd.*

Order'd that Edward Nicolls who was entertain'd as Carpenter for the West Coast be paid twenty Pagodas and that he be allow'd ten Pag^s^. ℘ Mensem. *Order'd Edwd. Nicols be entertain'd as Carpenter for the West Coast.*

Order'd that Eleven Pag^s^. 14 fa. be paid the Scavinger out of the Estates of Vellore Marr Chitty and Verago late Choultry Dubash acco^t^. Quit rent. *Pag^s^. 11 : 14. to be p^d^. the Scaving^r^. out of the Estate of the late Choultry Dubash.*

Order'd that sixteen thousand one hundred Pagodas and Ten thousand Rupees be sent on the Duke of Cambridge to Vizagapatam to carry on their Investment & to defray their Charges Garrison. *Pag^s^. 16100 & Rup^s^. 10000 sent to Vizagapat. on the Duke of Cambridge.*

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720*—

Expt. Warehouskr. delivers in an accor. of goods brot. in upon the Contract.

Mr. Thomas Cooke being just enterd upon his employment of Warehousekeeper delivers in an accot. of the Goods that have been brot. in upon the Contract made in Febry. last, upon examining the same It appears that there are 990 bales unsorted wch. is a further proof of what the President alledg'd against the late Warehousekeepr. Mr. Elwick the Last Consultation, The Board thereupon began to Consider how great a prejudice that neglect had been to the Merchts. as the greatest part of those goods had lain a long time in the Warehouse without being sorted wch. prevented the Merchants from receiving the mony due to them and might very reasonably give them a handle to Complain of our delays in payment which might be of no small Prejudice at this Critical Juncture when the French & Interlopers are so busie not far from us.

The opinion of the Board ask'd whether Mr. Elwick by his negligence in the Warehouse had not forfeited his Covenants, it was AGREED in the affirmative that he had.

The Opinion of the board being ask'd If Mr. Elwick by his Negligence in the Warehouse before mention'd had not broke the Covenants usually sign'd by all the Honble. Companys Covenanted Servants, It was unanimously AGREED in the affirmative.

The Presidt. repts. that pursuant [to ye] agreemt. in last Cons. he had discours'd the Chitty Cast.

The President acquaints the board that in Pursuance of the Agreement made last Consultation he has discours'd the Chitty Merchts. about signing the Paper of Security which has been so long Insisted upon and that they reply'd they would consent in case the heads of their Cast could be prevaild upon to sign it first.

The Chitty Merchts. call'd in who declared the same to the board.

The Chitty Merchants being thereupon call'd in declar'd the same to the Board on Which it was AGREED they should be releas'd from Imprison[ment.]

That the Warehousekeepr. lade the Treasure & Wares on the Ships bound for the Bay and that Mr. Harris take his passge. for Vizagapatm.

ORDER'D that the Warehouseke[epe]r do[lade] the Treasure & Wares upon the ships bound for the [Bay] and that Mr. Harris takes his passage on the Duke of Cambridge for Vizagapatam.

Mr. Catesby Oadham's rept. of the price of silver deliver'd in as enterd after Cons.

Mr. Catesby Oadham Essaymaster delivers in (according to order) his report of the Price of Silver wch. is enterd after this Consultation.

FRA : HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH : TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

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To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

The Gallery belongg. to the Choultry Lodging being so much decay'd that If not thoroughly repaird the top thereof upon the rains coming in will be liable to fall down and may thereby be prejudicial to any persons walking that way The Palmeiras and Rippers are rotten that the head Bricklayers and Carpenters acquaint me it will be in vain to repair it and assure me its most for the Compas advantage to rebuild the Gallery the Cost whereof they calculate at about Sixty Pagodas.

The Accomptant also acquaints me of his great want of Presses to keep in and preserve the Honble. Compas. Books wch. for want of are greatly damag'd by Vermin and If not speedy care taken of them may be utterly spoil'd, Since large Presses are said to be necessary and may amount to about Seventy Pagodas.

I thought it my Duty to acquaint Yor. Honor. &ca. of the foregoing articles and request your orders about them.

I am

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Yor. Most Obedt. Humble. Servt.

Nathl. Turner,
Paymaster.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

In obedience to your Commands I have endeavour'd to inform myself of the Quantity of Silver imported at Pondicherry this year and I have Considd. what Influence it might have on the Price of Silver here.

The first French ship that arriv'd at Pondicherry this year brôt 2000,000 Livres wch. makes at 13 Livrs. ℔ 20 sh. £s. 153846 Sterling—and according to the Ponr. accot. it makes ... ... Dollrs. 600,000

of wch. they have sent to Bengall	doll.	200,000
So there remains of that treasure	dollrs.	400,000

The second ship brôt 5000000 from France wch. is valued at Pondicherry at no more than 3,500,000 and according to the accot. of the first ships treasure

	Dollrs.	1,050,000
of wch. they sent to Bengall	Dollrs.	68000
		982000

So that the Whole Quantity of treasure for the use of Pondicherry is Vizt.

℔ first ship	Doll	400000
℔ Second		982000

in all 1382000 doll. wch. makes near 900 P[ags.] [. . .].

I have not been justly inform'd of what Sum they have or will disburse towds. Payment of their debts, but its said they have already paid their Merchants on accot.

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of trade 40,000 Pagodas wch. payment they have made in silver at 7 pagodas ℔ Seer wch. is at the rate of 14½ Mad. Dollars weight for 10 pagodas and it is Computed they may pay their Merchants 20,000 pagodas ℔ month which will be a sufficient supply for the Country demand of Silver.

The French at Pondicherry expect three more Europe ships this year, thô the Quantity of Treas̃ they may bring is uncertain but as I have been inform'd it is propos'd to keep a stock at Pondicherry of 15,000,000 Livres.

In consideration of the great supplys of silver the French have recd. at Pondicherry I am of Opinion that the Price of Silver wont be more than 15 dollars thô their Merchants have been paid in silver at 7 pa ℔ Seer when the Market price at Arcot was 14 13/16 ℔ 10 pagodas so that besides the risque and Charge of Carriage they must lose 2 3/16 ℔ Cent.

The Present rate of silver is 15 dollrs. ℔ 10 Pagodas, but not for ready mony.

If your Honr. &ca. think fit to sell the Compas. Treasure out of the Godowns as the buyers want it I am of Opinion that 15¼ Dollars ready mony will be the Medium Price.

All wch. I submit to your better Judgemts. & am wth. great Respect.

MADRAS
AUGUST 10TH. 1720.

Honble. Sr. &ca.
Yor. Most Obedt. & Most Humble Servant
CATESBY OADHAM.

SHIPS DESIGN'D TO BE DISPD. FOR ENGLD. BY THE ULTO. JANRY.

Crags	400 Tons.	Capt. Blake.
Godfrey	220 do.	Capt. Errington.
Mary	450 ,,	Capt. Horden.
Duke of Cambridge	430 ,,	Capt. Small.
Darby	460 ,,	Capt. Fitzhugh.
Cardonnel	300 ,,	Capt. Mawson.
Bridgewater	360 ,,	Capt. Williamson.
	2620 Tons.	

CALCULATE of Goods expected to be ready by said time.

Madrass goods now embal'd		43 Bales.
Vizagapm. Goods do.		170 ,,
Fort St. David Goods do.		1330 ,,
Mads. Goods Vizt.		
At the Beaters White	810	
At the Washers	180	
		990 ,,
In Sunca Ramahs Godown Brown	994	
In Motiwar Chittees &ct. do.	627	
		1621 ,,
What more may be expected to be brôt in by Sunca Rama &ct. by ye. last of Decr.	600	
Ditto to be expected from Fort St. David	2200	
Do. from Vizagapm.	500	
		3300
		Bales 7454

THOS. COOKE.
Expt. Warehousekr.

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At a Consultation

Present

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govr.
William Jennings. Rich^{d}. Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper. Thos. Wright.

Friday 12th.

Our Honble. Masters ship Cardonnel arriv^{g}. this morning from Great Brittain but last from the Madera's her packet is Open'd a Letter from M^{r}. Secretary Wooley read wherein he acq^{ts}. us that for want of advices from the West Coast The Comp^{a}. did not know what to write wth. Certainty relating to their affairs there, Wherefore as the Wind was fair they would not detain this ship any longer But leave to us to give what necessary direction thith^{r}. wch. their affairs might require.

Cardonnel arriv^{g} this Morn^{g}. her Pacquet was open'd and a Lett^{r}. frō. Mr Secr^{y}. Wooley read.

A Letter from Messrs. Hayward & Rider read to inclose Invoice and bill of loading for 150 pipes of Wine from Madera laden on board the Cardonnel amounting to 4330 millries & 635 ries.

A Letter from Messrs. Hayward, Rider read.

Fra : Hastings.
W^{m}. Jennings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
Joshua Draper.
Tho : Wright.

Ship Cardonnel Capt. William Mawson arr^{d}. from Great Brittain. 12
Sloop Prince Christian arr^{d}. from Tranquebar. 13
Ship London saild to Bengall Capt. Wyburg Comm^{dr}. 14
Ship Mary & Duke of Cambridge saild to Bengall. 15

At a Consultation

Present

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. & Govr.
William Jennings. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper. Thos. Wright.

Thursd^{y}. 18th.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort S^{t}. David Cash acco^{t}. is right and that upon examining their Merchants acco^{ts}. for June he finds that Pagodas 6544 : 17 : 34 are owing to Sunca Ramahs set, Orderd that the same be paid.

F^{t}. S^{t}. David Cash Acco^{t}. reported to be right, & on examining acco^{ts}. finds due to the Merch^{ts}. Pag^{s}. 6544 : 17 : 34.

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Exp^{t}. Warehouskeep^{rs}. Acco^{t}. for last Month read ball^{ce}. due fro. him Pag^{s}. 328 : 28 : 8 wch. is paid in.

John Emmerson for Nath^{ll}. Elwick reads the Exp^{t}. Warehousekeep^{rs}. acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 328 : 28 : 8 wch. is paid in.

Acco^{t}. charges of M^{r}. Jenkinson's passage for Europe deliver'd in.

Messrs. Cooke, Fowke and Draper deliver in an acco^{t}. of Charges of M^{r}. Jenkinsons passage and for the Europe servants who have attended him for eight months in his distraction amounting to Pag^{s}. 250. They likewise represent that there is a Necessity for an Europe Servt. to go wth. him to England to take care of him in the Voyage and that One Andrew Dilda is a proper Person for that Purpose.

Order'd that Andrew Dilda take his passage on the Hannover to take [care] of M^{r}. Jenkinson.

Order'd that Andrew Dilda takes his Passage on the Hanover to take care of M^{r}. Jenkinson in the Voyage, and that 250 pa. be paid to the trustees for the following Charges.

To the Capt. for his Passage	100
To d^{o}. for his Servt.	50
To Andrew Dilda for attend^{g}. him in the Voyage	50
To 2 Europeans wch. look'd after him for 8 months	50
Pag^{s}.	250

The Petition of Hugh Kennedy read, Ensign desir^{g}. his discharge.

Petition of Ensign Hugh Kennedy read representing that he had serv'd the Honble. Company for severall years as an Ensign both at this place and at Fort S^{t}. David and desiring his discharge in order to go by first opportunity to Great Brittain.

Agreed that his request be granted.

Several sums of money p^{d}. in for bills on y^{e}. Comp^{y}.

The following Sums being offer'd to be paid into the Honble. Company's Cash for our bills on the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date at nine Shillings ℔ Pagoda the same were accepted and the Bills sign'd accordingly the Pertieulars whereof are Viz^{t}.

	Pag^{s}.		
1. 2. & 3^{d}. Bill to M^{r}. Richard Horden payble to John Rind or Agnus Rind for at 9^{s}. ℔ pa.	400	—	—
1. 2. 3^{d}. Bill to M^{r}. Richard Benyon payble to John Legg or order at 9^{s} ℔ Pag^{a}.	10000	—	—
1. 2. 3^{d}. Bill to M^{r}. Richard Horden payable to Capt. Edwd. Arnold or ord^{r}. at 9^{sh} ℔ Pag^{a}.	377	28	—
1. 2. 3^{d}. Bill to William Jennings Esqr. payble to Edwd. Jennings Esqr. & M^{r}. Henry Hoare.	4444	16	—
Pag^{s}.	15222	8	—

Silver ℔ Ship Cardonnel reported to be right.

Messrs. Cooke, Benyon & Emmerson, report that the silver ℔ Cardonnel came out according to Invoice.

M^{r}. Cooke's representation of the affair of the Chinam.

M^{r}. Thomas Cooke delivers in a representation of the affair of the Chinam and a Rep^{t}. of M^{r}. Thomas Way in order to Vindicate himself from the false and Mellicious aspersions cast upon him by M^{r}. Frederick and his accomplices (as enterd after this Consultation) setting forth that the build^{g}. wch. they had cause to suspect from the Badness of the Chinam are as good as any in the Place and that the reason for such a suspicion was because they leakd before they were intirely finish'd M^{r}. Cooke desires leave to referr to the Honble. Companys consideration the One hundred Pagodas wch. they are pleas'd to order him to refund for Provisions laid in by the Steward for himself M^{r}. Hubbard two Soldiers and other serv^{ts}. in their Passage to the West Coast and that what Liquors were Left were carried ashoare and expended at their Generall Table. He likewise represents that he receiv'd no

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Gra[tuity] Sallary during the time of his being Supravizor and Depty. Govr. wch. amounts to one hundrd Pounds besides the Charges he was at of 300 Dollars ₱ mens̃. for keeping his Private table when the Generall table was laid aside.

AGREED that we referr the said Affair to the Honble. Company by the Godfrey and that we wait their orders Concerning it.

AGREED this affair be referr'd home to the Honble. Compy.

The Accomptant reads the Journal Parcells for the Month of July.

Journl. Parcels for the Mo. of July read

Petition of George Drake read (as enter'd after this Consultation) desiring leave to return to Great Brittain on the Hanover upon accot. of h[is] health.

The Petition of Mr. Geo. Drake read as enterd after this Cons̃.

ORDER'D that George Drake be (at his desire) discharg'd the Honble. Compas. Service and that the Secretary acquaints him of it accordingly.

ORDER'D Mr. Geo. Drake's request be granted.

The affairs of the West Coast being taken into Consideration. It is AGREED to send Mr. Pyke Depty. Govr. for all affairs of the Honble. Compa. on the West Coast [to] reside at Moco Moco till our Masters pleasure should be known concerning their resetling at Marlbrô, That Mrs. Shelley and Hazelwood go of his Council and that Mr. Joseph Walsh do go wth. Mr. Philip Heigham Whea[ke] and reside at Bencoolen.

Mr. Pyke sent Deptỹ. Govr. to the West Coast and the Council of that place station'd.

ORDER'D that the Metchlepm. and Young Derby be forthwth. dispd. to the West Coast.

ORDER'D the Metchlepat. and Young Derby be dispatchd for ye. West Coast.

Ensign Peter Nangle offering his services to go as Lieutenant to the West Coast who being known to be a sober dilligent Officer 'tis AGREED that a Comision be drawn out for him accordingly.

Ensign Nangle ordd. down Lieutenant.

FRA: HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSOH.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
[THOS. WRIGHT.]

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

The false and scandalous reports thrown upon me by Mr. Thomas Frederick in his charge given in agst. me to Honble. Company in England relating to the Chinam affair wch. has been too much Creditted by persons disaffected to me obliges me to trouble Your Honr. &ca. with a few lines in my own Vindication.

First I shall freely confess that I have at sevll. times receiv'd small Presents from the Country People who provide Chinam in consideratn. of advancing them mony the risque of wch. was altogether upon my own accot. The whole of what I receiv'd during the two years of my being Paymaster being but inconsiderable to the 10 ₱Ct. Mr. Frederick charges me wth. The particulars of wch. If occasion requires I am ready to attest upon oath, This I could not think wronging the

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Company nor any ways unreasonable for the hazard I run of my mony wth. people whom the Company never would allow to be trusted wth. theirs and was well assur'd from the Persons under me that a Tasharif Present had been Customary to my Predecessors on the like occasions Amongst wch. Mr. Frederick was one who recd. the same more or less as your Honr. &ca. may be satisfy'd If you'l please to examine the Conicoplys and servants that were under him When Paymaster.

Notwithstanding these accusations against me and thereupon the strictest methods and Rules laid down by the Govr. and Council to my successors Pray let it be observ'd that they have not been better nor cheaper serv'd since and I dare presume to say they never will.

As to the Chinam and the Damage the Compa. imagine they have sustain'd thereby I referr your Honr. &ca. to Mr. Ways report of the inner Fort buildings herewth. deliverd you wch. will plainly make appear that I am wrongfully charg'd and that the Company have been gainers by the damages made good to 'em by the Conicoply and Dubash who paid into their Cash on that accot. Pags. 875 whereas the difference was at first Computed to be but 625 out of wch. I think some allowa. might have been made for its waste in Quantity and Quality for the time it had been laid in store for wch. a paymaster can be noways answerable.

Before I conclude I must take the Liberty to object against Mr. Fredericks evidence the Conicoply Condapah who he affirms to have spoke English perfectly well wch. I am sure all that are at this board who can remember him must know it to be false, He was a vile rouge and well deserv'd the just Punishmt. Inflicted on himself wt. did really only save the hangman the labour, Whatever fraud has been committed in this article of Chinam, he must have been the Person guilty of it, for t'was him that paid all the poor people for the Chinam brôt into the Town (except what I advancd myself to the Country People) his aim and design was to be made Cheif Conicoply under the Paymaster On wch. accot. I was offer'd before I was out of the employ not less than Pagodas 400, but knowing how great a rogue he was I scorn'd to accept it, seing he had faild in his project and knowg. there had been some differences between me and Mr. Frederick in all probability he asserted these falsitys to him thinkg. by that means to ingratiate himself into his favour thereby to gain his ends of being made Cheif Conicoply. This is all I have to offer relating to the Chinam and am altogether Ignorant of any abuses therein by the Conicoply Durmiah or my Dubash Juggana who have already sufficiently paid for what damage the Company have sustaind thereby.

That I may not trouble your Honr. with a separate Paper I shall herein desire you will please to referr to the Honble. Companys consideration the pa. 100. they are please to order me to refund for provisions ld. in by the Steward for my passage to the West Coast and hopê they will consider that the Provisions were not laid in for me alone, Besides myself there was Mr. Hubbard second of Council two soldiers & both our servts. that tooke their passa. on the same Brigantine for whom the provisions were design'd as well as myself, what Liquors were left was carrd. ashoare and expended at their table wch. was ye. greatest part of what we had to drink some months after our arrival, and as I beleive the Compa. will have no reason to find fault wth. my management before our misfortunes, I hope they will please to order the payment of 100 pounds due to me for Gratuity sallary for one years service as Supravizor and Depty. Govr. of the West Coast besides some allowances I did expect they would have made me monthly for my Private table after the Generall table was laid aside, wch. put me to the Charge of upwards of 300 Doll ℔ mens. I shall be oblig'd to your Honr. &ca. If you'l please to incert this in your Generall Letter to them by the Godfrey & am.

Fort St. George Honbls. Sr. &ca.

Augst. 17th. 1720. Yor. Most Obedt. Humble Servant,

Tho. Cooke.

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To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Councill.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

In Justification of Mr. Thomas Cooke late Paymr. in answr. to ye. Charge given against him by Mr. Thomas Frederick to the Honble. Company in England in respect to the Chinam provided by him when Paymaster I presume to lay before Your Honr. &ca. The State of the Inward Fort Buildings to wch. use the greater part of it was apply'd and do affirm that the Buildings are strong and Durable as any that have been built in or about this City for many years past they have not leak'd in any part since they have been finish'd nor am I apprehensive they will in any ways suffer from the badness of the Chinam which at first there was some reason to suspect, But it is to be Consider'd the buildings were then unfinish'd without any Coat of Chinam over the Tarrass and in such parts where it was most complain'd of. The tarrass was not half laid when a hard shower or two of rain would easily penetrate Notwithstandg. wch. that part of the building when finish'd might (as think it has) prove as good or better than the rest.

As to that Quantity of Chinam that was brôt in after and condemn'd it prov'd to be serviceable to the Company in building the Cloth Godowns where we cannot use Clay & sand for our Mortar for fear of the White Ants and think it has been to the Companys advantage by the damage made good to them. I am

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Yor. Most Obedt. Humble Servt.

Tho. Way.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of George Drake

Sheweth

That your Petitioner desires to resign the Honble. Compas. Service in order to return to Engld. on the Hanover.

And Yor. Petitionr. shall ever Pray.

George Drake.

Ship Derby Capt. Wm. Fitzhugh saild for Bengall by whom sent a lettr. to ye. Presidt. and Council. 19.

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from ye. Cheif & Council of Vizagapm. dated ye. 24th. Ulto. 20th.

Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from Mr. Holcomb at Metchlepatm. dated ye. 6th. Ulto.

Ship Oxford Capt. Strong arrd. from Persia. —

Ship Golden Lyon arrd. from Trincombr. 22.

Ship William Capt. Willson saild for Bengall.

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 25th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr.
William Jennings. Richard Horden.
Thomas Cooke. Randall Fowke.
Nathaniel Turner. Richard Benyon.
John Emmerson. Joshua Draper. Thos. Wright.

Land Customr. ps. in the ballce. of his last mos. Accot. being Pags. 421 : 29 : 31.

Randall Fowke Land Customer pays in the Ballance of that accot. for last month being Pagodas 421 : 29 : 31.

Impt. Warehousekeepr. ps. in Pags. 34093 : 18:60. for Silver sold.

Mr. Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekeeper pays in Pagodas 34093 : 18 : 60 being in full for 47 Chests of Silver sold out of the Warehouse.

Capt. Erringtons requests that the Pepper be brot. from the West Coast might be reladed that it might be shott among the bales.

Capt. Thomas Errington requesting that the Pepper wch. was brôt. from aboard his ship to be Garbled might be reladed in order to shott it amongst the Bales, and that 524 bags of Salt Petre might be sent on board his ship, His Iron Kintilage being not sufficient.

Salt Petre 524 baggs Orld. aboard the Godfrey.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper do send on board the Godfrey 524 bags of Salt Petre and the Pepper according to the Capts. request wch. is enterd after this Consultation.

Genll. Letter from Vizagapat. read.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council at Vizagapatm. read, advising that the Cheif occasion of this Letter was to accompany one from the Nabob to the President, wch. he declares never came to hand.

Genll. Lettr. from Metchlepat. read.

Generall Letter from Mr. Holcomb at Metchlepatm. read to inclose his accot. for June.

Mr. James Morris delivers in several Papers relatg. to his Effects Order'd they be deliver'd Mr. Cooke.

Mr. James Morris delivers in sevll. Papers relating to his Effects wch. were seiz'd at Fort Marlbrô Order'd that the said Papers be deliver'd to Mr. Thomas Cooke and that he reports to the board what he knows of the affair.

The Cardonnel dispatch'd to Ft. St. David.

Order'd that the Cardonel be dispatch'd for Fort St. David for a loading of bales and that the Wares and Stores wch. they write for be sent down upon her.

Doctor Hopkins order'd to Moco Moco.

Order'd that Doctor Hopkins do go to Moco Moco to reside there wth. Mr. Pyke till the Honble. Comps. pleasure is known concerng. our resettling Fort Marlbrô.

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ORDER'D that Pagodas 2760 be paid the trustees to M^r^. Jenkinsons Estate for to discharge sev^ll^. debts and to defray the Expences of his Passage Viz^t^.

That Pag^s^. 2760 be p^d^. the Trustees to M^r^. Jenkinson to pay of several Debts.

M^r^. Benyon acco^t^. Capt. Wotton	1276	4	13
M^r^. Bulkley account Capt. Winter	169	18	60
M^r^. Elwick acco^t^. Capt. Paine	883	1	59
M^r^. Chapman	32	—	—
	2360	24	52
Capt. Bond for his & his serv^ts^. pass^a^.	150	—	—
Allow^a^. for his Servt.	50	—	—
Do. for two serv^ts^. who attended him in his Sickness.	50	—	—
Necesarys for his passage	150	—	—
Pag^s^.	2760	24	52

The following sums being offer'd to be paid into the Companys Cash for our bills on the Honble. Company, of this days date at nine shillings ₱ Pagoda the same were accepted and the Bills sign'd accordingly, The Particul^rs^. Whereof are Viz^t^.

Several sums of money offer'd to be p^d^. into Cash for bills of Exchange on the Comp^y^.

1st. 2. & 3^d^. Bills to Thomas Cooke payable to John Freeman Esqr. or order at 9^s^ ₱ P^a^....	2372	4	28
1. 2. & 3^d^. Bills to Thomas Cooke payable M^r^. Thos. Crew for acco^t^. of Doct^r^. Willson at Moco Moco	217	8	68
1. 2. & 3^d^. Bills to Nath^ll^. Turner and Francis Hugonin payable to Mess^r^. Alex^a^. Bennet and Joseph Houghton or order	4000	—	—
1. 2. & 3^d^. Bill to Richard Horden payable to Capt. Benjamin Graves or order acco^t^. Owners of ship Success	126	—	—
1. 2. & 3. bill to Thomas Wright payble to John Rudge Esqr. or order	222	8	—
1. 2. & 3. bill to Robt. Berriman payble to M^rs^. Eleonora Lessley or order	222	8	—
1. 2. & 3. bill to George Tullie payable to Susanna Wynn or order	2015	29	3
1. 2. & 3. bill to Robt. Dymond payable to himself or order.	2975	—	—
Pag^s^. ...	12150	22	19

Padré Labbé Attorny to the French Mission^rys^. in China offering to deposite 10000 Pag^s^. in the Comp^as^. Cash and to leave it to their Generosity whither they'l allow him Int^t^. or not, AGREED that the same be accept^d^. & y^t^. we advise of it in their Generall Letter by the Godfrey and desire to know their resolutions concerning it.

Padre Labbe Attorney to the French Messionarys in China Offers to pay into the Camp^s^. Cash. Pag^s^. 10000.

M^r^. Nath^ll^. Elwick delivers in a Protest wch. being read is enterd after this Consultat^n^.

M^r^. Nathaniel Elwick delivers in a protest as enterd after this Cons.

FRA: HASTINGS.
W^M^. JENNINGS.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
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To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. and Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Council.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

It is my Humble request that there may be order'd on board Ship Godfrey Five hundred and twenty four bags of Salt Petre at the usual rates as accustomary in such Cases and likewise all such Pepper as was heretofore landed out of said ship being now Garbled and weighed may be reladen on board said ship at the rates as other Pepper is contd. on board at.

I am

Yo. Honrs. Most Humble & Obedient Servant

Tho. Errington.

Whereas The Honble. United Company of Merchts. of England trading to the East Indies By a Commission under their seal bearing Date [*lacuna*] as relation being thereunto had more plainly will appear have thought fit to appoint Francis Hastings Esqr. President and Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. William Jennings Esqr. Second of Council and Depty. Govr. of Fort St. David, Nathaniel Elwick third of Council (and so on) for the management of affairs on the Coast of Choromandel and West Coast of Sumatra. Now know Ye That Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. and Governour of Fort St. George, William Jennings Esqr. Second of Council and Depty. Governr. of Fort St. David &ca. Council Notwithstanding the Honble. United Compas. possitive orders to the Contrary have by their Power on the 8th. day of August 1720, suspended and renderd uncapable of acting in the said Honble. Companys Affairs The above said Nathaniel Elwick Third of Council, Be it known unto all men that the said Nathaniel Elwick of Fort St. George Gentleman and third of Council by the Honble. Companys appointment do Protest against you the said Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. and Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. and William Jennings Esqr. Second of Council and Depty. Governour off Fort St. David &ca. Council for these your illegall proceedings and for all Damages that the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies may or shall sustain thereby and also for all Damages that may attend the Merchants of this Citty of Madrass, and likewise for all Damages that may attend the Person Estate or Reputation of me the said Nathaniel Elwick. In Testimoney Whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal in the City of Madrass this twenty fifth day of August in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and twenty.

(*Loco Sigilli.*)

N. Elwick.

26. Recd. a Genll. Lettr. from the Cheif and Council of Ft. St. David dated the 24th.

28. Ship Jerusalem Capt. Washington saild for Malacca.

— Ship St. Pedro Capt. Maluho saild for Bengall.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. RICHARD HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER. THOS. WRIGHT.

MONDAY 29TH.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster reads that accor. for last month Ballance [*lacuna*].

Mint Accot. for last Month read.

Richard Horden Sea Customer reads that accot. for last month Ballance due from him Pags. 7420 : 7 : 68 of wch. he pays in 3000 Pagodas.

Sea Customrs Accot. for last month read ballae. due from him Pags. 7420 : 7 : 68 & ps. in Pags. 3000.

The Storekeeper acquainting the Board that 15 Timbers of 20 feet long being demanded for the use of the Buildgs. at Fort St. David of wch. dimensions none being in Store he desires to know whether he may buy the said Quantity in Town.

The Store-keepr. desires to know whither he may buy ye. Timbers in Town Accot. Ft. St. David.

ORDER'D that The Storekeepr. buys 15 Timbrs. of 20 feet long and send them aboard the Cardonel for Fort St. David wth. all Convt. Speed.

ORDER'D that he buy them.

Thos. Cooke Paymaster reads that Accot. for last month Vizt.

Paymr. reads that Accot. for last Month.

Charges Garrison	Pags.	2010	17	30
Charges Generall		719	15	20
Dieu Island		10	—	—
Charges Cattle		174	21	30
New Warehouse		80	4	5
Repairs of Fortifications		895	22	65
Charges Extraordinary		17	20	—
Bengall Presidency		91	27	—
Charges Diet		455	35	50
Diet and Stores Ld. in		714	1	32
Bombay Presidency		61	2	60
	Pags.	5230	23	52

Ballance due from him Pagodas 269 : 12 : 28 wch. he pays in.

ballce. due fro. him wch. he pays in Pags. 269 : 12 : 28.

Upon the examining the Extraordry. Charges for last month We find it to arise from the followg. Particulars.

NEW WAREHOUSE FOR MATTERIALS AND WORKMEN ...	Pags.	80	4	5
REPRS. OF FORTIFICATIONS Vizt. repairing the Town Wall & Gunnrs. Battery ... ... 809 : 15 : 55. Sundry necessry. repairs ... 86 : 7 : 10.		895	22	65
CHARGES EXTRAORDRY.. diet for prisonrs. Water for soldrs. at the Outguards &ca.		17	20	—
BENGALL PRESIDENCY for Chairs sent thither ℔ Ship Mary		91	27	—
DIET AND STORES LAID IN for six pipes of Madera Wine for the use of the Govrs. table in lieu of Europe liquors for 3 mos.		258	—	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY Vizt. Allow'd Capt. Ogden for his Charges in his Passa. hither		20	—	—
One months pay advanc'd to sixteen officers and Soldiers come from thence on Ship William ...		41	2	60
	Pags.	1404	4	50

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Gen^{ll}. Letter from Ft. S^{t}. David read.

Generall Letter From the Cheif and Council of Fort S^{t}. David ℔ Sloop Comawauche read to accompany Invoice and bill of loading for 44 ba^{s}. sent upon her the 24 Ins^{t}.

Ship Godfreys Men Musterd.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do muster Ship Godfreys men.

Geo. Willy Petitions to lay down the service.

George Willy (who was suspended by the Cheif and Council of Moco Moco for misbehaviour) delivers in a Petition requesting leave to lay down the service wch. is granted.

FRA: HASTINGS.
W^{M}. JENNINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

29. Rec^{d}. a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of F^{t}. S^{t}. David dated 25 ins^{t}.

30. Ship Chindadre Baukerbeek saild to Junk Ceylon.

AT A CONSULTATION
Present

TUESDAY 30TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER. RICHARD BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOS^{A}. DRAPER. THO. WRIGHT.

William Ballet Petitions for his salary as Cheif of Moco Moco & requests leave to go home.

Petition of William Ballet read desiring his Sallary as Cheif of Moco Moco might be allow'd him from the 29th. Sepr. 1718 To the 7th. April 1720 and likewise requests leave to go home upon the Godfrey.

THAT this Affair be represented home.

AGREED that we represent this affair to the Honble. Company in Considerat^{n}. of his good services at Moco Moco and that as all Cheifs before him had 100 lbs. sall^{ry}. ℔ Annum.

A Muster roll of ship Godfreys men deliver'd in.

Nath^{ll}. Turner Paymaster delivers in a muster roll of ship Godfreys men.

ORDER'D 5 Chests of Treasure be sent on board the Metchlepat. & Young Derby.

ORDER'D that five Chests of treasure be sent on board the Metchlepatam and Young Derby for the West Coast.

Pag^{s}. 100 & 150 to the rest of y^{e}. Passeng^{rs}. for provisions.

ORDER'D that Pa. 100 be allow'd M^{r}. Pyke and 150 to the rest of the Passengers for provisions in the voyage.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720*—

Generall Letter from Fort St. David read dated the 25th. inst. advising of Capt. Paddles death and that he had left no will, But that Ensign Brewster had sign'd a Paper declaring that he had heard Capt. Paddle say several times that Mr. William Evans should enjoy what he had But that not being thôt. sufficient there being but one Witness Tis ORDER'D that the Paymaster and Secretary Do take care of his Effects and Pay their amount into the Compas. Cash. Genll. Letter fro. Ft. St. David da td. 25th. Instant.

ORDER'D that Mr. Newcome be under the Warehousekeepr. in the room of Mr. Hazelwood and that he do likewise take care of the Villages of Egmore. ORDER'D Mr. Newcombe be under the Warehouse-keepr. & likewise take care of ye. Villags. &ca.

Messrs. Horden and Fowke represent to the Board that Mr. Elwick had deliverd them two Protests for not swearing him a Master of Chancery, To which they desire Liberty to deliver him a Paper in answer wch. is GRANTED. Messrs. Horden & Fowke desire liberty of delivers. in their ansr. to Mr. Elwicks Protest.

Mr. Cooke delivers in a Paper in Answr. to Mr. Morris's demds. wch. being read is entd. after this Consulta. Mr. Thos. Cooke delivers in a paper in ansr. to Mr. Morris's demands.

Mr. Horden delivers in a remonstrance to the Board in order to Vindicate himself from the aspersions cast upon him by Mr. Frederick in his representation to the Honble. Court of Directrs. sent us out this Year wch. being Read is ordd. to be sent in the Packet by the Godfrey. Mr. Horden vindicates himself from the aspersion from Mr. Frederick's representations.

ORDER'D that the Paymaster do pay 3 months Impress mony to the Lascars & other workmn. entertained for the use of the West Coast service And that Dr. Hopkins be paid Sallary and allowances from the time he was entertain'd. ORDER'D 3 Months Impress mony pd. the Lascars &ct. to the West Coast.

FRA: HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

THIS is to Certify whom it may Concern that I Benjamin Brewster Officer under Capt. Joseph Paddle have often times heard him in Mr. William Evans absence wish that he were here before he went into his Sallivation addg. that he had no relation in the world to leave what he had to in case he did otherwise than well excepting a Brothr. that spell'd his name wth. two dds and that he did not know whether he was living or dead But since Mr. Evans's Arrival have often times heard Capt. Paddle say that Mr. Evans was the only person that should enjoy what he left behind him in case God should Please to call him out of this world And this I am ready to give my Affidavit off Wittness my hand this 24th. of August 1720.

BENJA. BREWSTER.

Sworn to in the Presence of us

JOHN BERLU.
B. BERRIMAN.
SIMON HOLCOMB.
B. BROOKE.

—*FORT St. GEORGE, AUGUST 1720*—

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Councill of Fort St. George.

Fort St. George
Augst. 29th. 1720.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

I have perus'd Mr. Morris's papers delivd. in the last Consultation and all I have to ansr. thereto is

That his being charg'd wth. the turf Fortificat. at Bantall was conformable to a possitive order Recd. from this board in their Letter to Fort Marlbrô dated the 21st Octr. 1718 and that he pleads of his being clear'd from that Charge by the Marlbrô. Generall Letter seem's to be but very little in his favr. wch. is only Mr. Farmer and his Councils approbation of the work it being of the same nature wth. what they had enter'd upon at Marlbrô the cost of wch. in the same Letter from hence is order'd to be charg'd to their accot. wch. was accordingly done but it is to be observ'd that Mr. Morris had enter'd upon This Work on his own head without any orders, sometime before he had recd. this approbation as he himself acknowledges in his Letter of the 16th. February but they are hard at work in casting up a breastwork wch. they hope to accomplish in a short time. These are the very words of his Letter.

The Chest of Cloth that he says was taken from him must be burnt in the Companys Warehouse I do remembr. a small Chest qtr. a few peices of fine Cloth brôt to Outcry to be sold but not being perishable goods they were ordd. back to be Lodg'd in ye. Compas. Warehouse ye. particulr. accot. of wch. was undr. Mr. Kingstons Charge but wt. is become of it I know not.

As to the affair of providg. materials for the Compas. Buildings, On my 1st. arrivl. ye. Materials was brôt in by Jas. Rawlins through whose neglect the Companys buildings had been at a stand and finding we had the Opportunity of providg. materials about 25 ℔ Cent Cheaper than formerly and upon better security we enter'd upon a New Contract wth. Mr. White for providg. the same after wch. we had nothing to do wth. Rawlins nor did I know any thing of Mr. Morris's being concern'd wth. him.

Mr. Ellil's debt to Mr. Morris I never heard of but if he was concern'd wth. Rawlins (as he pretends) in the material business I beleive it may be made appear yt. Mr. Morris is rather indebted to Mr. Ellil but since Rawlins is dead it will be a hard matter to determine I have not further to say but that

I am Honble. Sr. &ca.

Yor. Most Obedt. humble Servt.

Thomas Cooke.

Sepr. the 1st Ship Shawlum Capt. Ledmager arrd. from Persia.

2. Ship Joseph Capt. Dougleish arrd. from Moco.

— Ship Francis Capt. Greenslate arrd. from Metchlepm.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1720*—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
WILLIAM JENNINGS. RICHD. HORDEN.
THOMAS COOKE. RANDALL FOWKE.
NATHANIEL TURNER. RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER. THOS. WRIGHT.

SEPTEMBER FRIDAY 2D.

The Generall Letter to the Honble. the Court of Directors, design'd by ship Godfrey being read thrô and approv'd is sign'd Also Capt. Thos. Erringtons dispatchs.

Genll. Letter ℘ ship Godfrey sign'd as also the Capts. dispatches.

ORDD. that Nathaniel Turner Paymaster be advanc'd three thousand Pagodas to defray Charges Garrison.

Paymr. advanc'd Pags. 3000 to defray Charges Garrison.

ORDER'D that Edward Murray be sent to Moco Moco on the Metchlepatam.

ORDER'D that Edwd. Murray be sent to Moco Moco on the Metchlepatm.

ORDER'D that the Church Wardens do pay to Mr. Benyon 100 dollars out of the Estate of Pedro Perreira being for so much he recd. of the Govr. of the Cape notwithstandg. it do's no where appear in the said Perreiras accots. But as the Govr. of the Cape has demanded the said sum and Capt. Gough (who came out wth. the sd. Perreira, declarg. that he had sum̃ mony of him to supply him wth. necessarys but how much he could not tell We think it reasonable that it should be paid.

That the Church Wardens pay to Mr. Benyon 100 Dollars out of the Estate of Pedro Perreira.

FRA : HASTINGS.
WM. JENNINGS.
[*Lacuna*].
THO : COOKE.
RAND.' FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

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JOHN EMMERSON. JOSHUA DRAPER. THO. WRIGHT.

MONDAY 5TH.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the accot. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month ballance remaining Pags. 147476 : 31 : 11.

Cashier's Accot. for last month read ballce. remg. Pags. 147476 : 31 : 11.

Messrs. Horden and Fowke acqt. the board that they have deliver'd in a repro-test agst. Mr. Elwick in the Presence of Messrs. Draper & Wright.

Messrs. Horden & Fowke rept. that they have deliver'd in a Protest agt. Mr. Elwick.

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Land Custom^r. reads that Acco^t. for last month.

Richard Benyon Land Customer reads that acco^t. for last month Viz^t.

Choultry Custom ...	447	2	26
Ruby Brokerage ...	100	27	36
Register^g. slaves ...	4	32	—
Pag^s.	555	25	62

ballce. due from him Pag^s. 536 : 24 : 62.

Ballance due from him Pagodas 536 : 24 : 62.

Petition of Elias Cartwright read desir^g. pay for the time [h]is being taken in Gunner.

Petition of Elias Cartwright read desiring his pay from the time of his being taken in as Gunner for the West Coast wch. is granted.

Gen^ll. Letter from Metchlepatam read.

Generall Letter from M^r. Humphry Holcomb at Metchlepatam read advising that he had sent up one John Mano (who had deserted some time since from this Garrison) a prisoner on the Frances.

Gen^ll. Letter from F^t. S^t. David read.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t. David read to inclose their Cash acco^t. for last month.

Order'd that Pag^s. 40000 be sent to Fort S^t. David.

Order'd that 40,000 Pagodas be sent overland to Fort S^t. David for carrying on their Investments & to defray their Charges Garrison.

M^r. Peter Tahourdin constituted Youngest of Council of F^t. S^t. David.

There being a Vacancy in the Council at Fort S^t. David It is Agreed that M^r. Peter Tahourdin (who is next in standing) do take his place as Youngest of Council.

That 50 Tons of Cowries be provided by the Warehousekeep^r.

Order'd that 50 Tons of Cowrys be provided by the Warehousekeep^r. according to the Honble. Comp^as. List of demands this year by the Duke of Cambridge.

R^t. Hand Cast call^d. in and ask'd if they would contract for 1000 bales.

Sunca Ramah &c^a. Right hand Merch^ts. being call'd in and ask'd If they would make a Contract for 1000 bales They desir'd leave to consider of it till next Consultation.

Order'd the heads of the Chitty Cast be summon'd to know their resolution concerning signing the Paper.

The Chitty Merchants being call'd in were ask'd If they had agreed wth. their Cast in relat^n. to the signing the Paper wch. they had before deny'd who replyd they had not, Wherefore tis Ord^D. that the heads of their Casts be summon'd to know whether they'l consent to sign it or not.

The Chitty Merch^ts. ask'd if they would contract for 1000 bales.

The Chitty Merch^ts. were at same time ask'd If they would Contract for 1000 bales who desir'd likewise time to consider of it.

Joint Stock Merch^ts advanc'd Pag^s. 20000 the Chitty Ditto.

Order'd that Sunca Rama &c^a. Merch^ts. be advanc'd 20000 pag^s. acco^t. their Run^g. Contract and that Moota Mar Chitte &c^a. Merch^ts. be advanc'd the same sum.

Fra: Hastings.
W^m. Jennings.
[Lacuna].
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath^ll. Turner.
Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho: Wright.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1720*—

Brig^{te}. Young Derby (belong^{g}. to y^{e}. Honble. Comp^{a}. Capt. Fra^{s}. Charlton & ship Metchlep^{m}. belong^{g}. to d^{o}. Capt. Jos. Badman) saild for Moco Moco by whom sent a Gen^{ll}. Letter of the 31st. Ult^{o}. on y^{e}. latt^{r}. went Isaack Pyke Esqr. Dep^{ty}. Govr. 7TH

Sloop Ramah Hend. Johnston sailed for Fort S^{t}. David. 8.

About 5 a Clock this even^{g}. the Worsp^{ll}. W^{m}. Jennings Esqr. set out for Fort S^{t}. David by whom sent a Gen^{ll}. Letter dated this day also 40000 pag^{s}. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 8TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHAN^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

The Chittys desire leave to enter their remonstrance of the difference between them and the Qomity Cast.

The President acquaints the board that he had sent for the Chittys and demanded of them whether they would agree to sign the Paper wch. they had before set their hands to in Govr. Collets time who desir'd leave to deliv^{r}. in a paper by way of Remonstr^{a}. concerning the differences betwixt them and the Comittees wch. is agreed to.

Gen^{ll} Letter from Anjengo dat^{d}. the 23th. July.

Generall Letter from M^{r}. Gyfford and Council of Anjango dated the 23^{d}. July wth. a bill of Exchange on Capt. James Berriman for 89 pagodas payable to the Honble. Company wch. the Secretary is order'd to receive.

Gen^{ll}. Letters from F^{t}. S^{t}. David dat^{d}. y^{e}. 5th. & 6th. Instant.

Generall Letters from Fort S^{t}. David dated the 5th. and 6th. ins^{t}. The former to inclose their acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. and the latter Invoice and bill of Loading for 70 bales on Sloop Rama.

The Presid^{t}. acquaints the board that Letters are arriv'd from Porto Novo from the Citty of Vienna and thinks it proper they be open'd.

The President acquaints the board that severall Letters are arriv'd from Porto Novo from the City of Viena (formerly the Heathcot in our Honble. Masters Service) and that he thinks it proper that the said Letters should be opened before Us wch. was done & nothing found in them relating to the Companys affairs, Wherefore tis AGREED to deliver 'em to the persons for whom they were directed.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER
THO : WRIGHT.

Ship Joseph Capt. Alex^{r}. Dalgleish saild for Bengall. 10TH.

Ship Catherine Capt. Nicolas Gamon arr^{d}. from Carwar by who. rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Letter from the Presid^{t}. & Council of Bombay dated the 20th. Ult^{o}. 12

Ship Oxford Capt. Charles Strong saild for Bengall. —

Ship Shawlum Capt. Rowland Ludmager saild for Bengall. 14.

The Margaret Galley arr^{d}. from Carwar. 15.

Ship Carreem Salamut Hodgee Salamut Noquedah s^{d}. to Pegu. —

Disp^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Letter to Capt. Washington at Pullicat. 16.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 15TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVERNR.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Genll. Letter from Bombay read datd. the 20th.

Generall Letter from the Presidt. and Council of Bombay read dated the 20th. Ulto. advising of a Pyrate cruizg. off that Island who had lately taken a Moors ship from Judda very richly laden They also advise That the news of the Charlotta's being taken by Angry was too true Mr. Boone having recd. a Letter from Messrs. Curgenven & Harnage the Supra Cargo's.

AGREED to write a Lettr. to Capt. Washington at Palliacatt to procure Vessels to Cruize in the Streights.

AGREED that we write a Letter to Capt. Washington at Palliacat who is bound to Malacca in few days to use his endeavrs. to get proper Vessells to send into the streights to advise all ships from China & other places of this Pyrate who we have reason to beleive will go that way.

Renll. Genll. & Scavingr. ps. in Pags. 674 : 20 : 10

John Emmerson late Rentall Generall pays in pags. 674 : 20 : 10 for the followg. accots.

3 mos. Booteek rent & Shroff duty to the ulto. Augst. ...	77	18	—
6 mos. Rent of the Compas. old Garden	75	—	—
Maria Pois's Garden for 1 year	40	—	—
Accot. Quit Rent in full for ye. year 1719	456	31	40
Scavingers Duty	25	6	50
	674	20	10

That a New Rent Roll be drawn out & yt. Mr. Robt. Wooley be undr. the Scavingr.

ORDERD that a New Rent Roll be drawn out and that Robt. Wooley be undr. the Scavinger.

Ft. St. David Cash Accot. reported to be right.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort St. David Cash accot. for July is Right.

The Paymr. acquaints the board wth. the Condition of the Comps. Horses.

The Paymaster acquaints the Board of the Condition of the Compas. Horses wch. are eight in number four of wch. are entirely unfit for service and the other four not very good.

ORDER'D the Horses be sold.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Horden, Cook and the Paymaster do sell the four useless Horses at Outcry and enquire in Town whither any are to be purchas'd for the Compas. use at reasonable rates.

That the highway from the Town to Egmore be mended.

ORDER'D that the highway from the Town to Egmore be mended and that the Charge thereof be detray'd from Times &ca. wch. may occasionally happen.

Paymr. advanc'd Pags. 1000.

ORDER'D that Nathaniel Turner Paymr. be advanc'd 1000 Pagodas.

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Ramdauz Town Broker pays in 400 Pagodas for six mo^s^. rent of that Farm. Town broker p^s^. in Pag^s^. 400 for six Months rent of that ffarm.

Poncala Kistna Tobacco Farmer pays in Pag . 583 : 12 for last mo^s^. rent of that Farm. Tobacco Farm^r^. p^s^. in Pag^s^. 583 : 12 for last Months rent of that ffarm.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^D^. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH : TURNER.
RICH^D^. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

Rec^d^. a Gen^ll^. Lett^r^. from the Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 31st. Ult^o^. 20TH.

Ship Golden Lyon saild for Tranqueb^r^. 21.

Ship Elahee Cojee Simon Noquedah saild for Pegu. —

Ship Catherine Capt. Gamon s^d.^ to Bengall in Comp^a^. wth. the Margaret Galley. 22

Ship Francis Capt. Greenslate saild to Vizagapat^m^. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 22D.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.	PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^L^. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

John Emmerson Storekeeper pays in Pag^s^. 41 being for what the King William sloop sold at Outcry. Storekeep^r^. p^s^. in Pag^s^. 41 beg. what the King William sloop sold for.

Messrs. Horden, Cooke and Turner report that 12 good and serviceable Horses are procurable for Pag^s^. 1210. AGREED that the same be bought and that the Paymaster be advanc'd mony for that Purpose. Messrs. Horden, Cooke and Turner's rep^t^. of 12 Good Horses procureable for 1210 Pag^s^. AGREED they are bo^t^.

Generall Letter from The Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 31st. August read advising that their troubles were worse than ever and that they were in great want of Topazes Fire arms and Flints wch. they desire to be supply'd by 1st. Conveyance. Gen^ll^. Letter from Anjengo dat^d^. the 31 Aug^st^. read.

M^r^. Benyon produces the Storekeepers books ballanc'd to the 30th. ultimo wth. the acco^t^. remains and delivers them over to M^r^. Emmerson. Storekeep^rs^. Books ball^d^. produc'd.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1720*—

Impt. Warehousekeeprs. Accot. for last Month read ballce. due from him Pags. 441 : 21 : 33.

Mr. Thomas Cooke Impt. Warehousekr. reads that Acco t. for last month Ballance due from him Pagodas 441 : 21 : 33.

Expt. Warehousekeeprs. Accot. for last month read ballce. due to him Pags. 155 : 28 : 6.

Mr. Thomas Cooke Expt. Warehousekr. reads yt. accot. for last month balle. due to him Pags. 155 : 28 : 6.

Paymrs. Accot. for last Month read.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads yt. accot. for last month Vizt.

Charges Garrison	2009	20	40
Charges Generall	724	23	—
New Warehouse	590	35	40
Charges Extraordry.	156	4	30
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Charges Cattle	183	30	50
Repairs of Fortificats.	541	19	10
Charges diet	435	33	65
Diet stores ld. in	494	10	68
Bombay Presidency	73	26	60
Marlbrô Fort	1378	20	—
Pags.	6599	8	43

balle. due frõ. him Pags. 5599 : 8 : 43.

ballance due from him Pags. 5599. 8. 43.

Upon Examining the extraordinary Charge for last month we find it to arise from the following particulars—

NEW WAREHOUSE	590	35	40
REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATS. TOWN WALL & GUNRS. BATTY. ...	377	18	40
NECESSARY REPAIRS TO THE FORT HOUSE, HOSPITAL, &CA. ...	164	—	50
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY Vizt—			
For 98 Cows bought at Fort St. David for uses of the West Coast	134	18	—
Provisions for Mr. Harris in his passa. to Viza.	4	26	39
Diet to four Danes soldiers that ran away from Trincombr.	1	35	—
CHARGES CATTLE for keeping of Five horses that came from Fort St. David wth. the D. Govr	19	32	40
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for 3 mos. pay to Lieut. Comers and one month pay to 15 Solds...	73	26	60
FORT MARLBRÔ for 3 mos. adva. mony to the Soldiers, Lascars, Barbers, Taylors, Gardeners, 2 Chests of Medicines, provisions, &cs.	1378	20	—
Pags.	2745	33	20

Mr. Thos. Buckley [*sic*] read as enterd after this Cons. desirg. leave to lay down the service.

Petition of Mr. Thos. Bulkeley read (as enterd after this Consultation) desiring leave to resign the Honble. Companys Service in order to proceed for Europe.

AGREED his request be granted.

AGREED that his Petition be granted & that James Hubbard do act as head Searcher at the Sea Gate in his room.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1720*—

The Sallary for the last six months being due to the Honble. Comp^{as}. Covenanted serv^{ts}. the 25 ins^{t}. ORDER'D that the Accomp^{t}. draws out an acco^{t}. thereof and lay it before the board the next Consultation. ORDER'D the Accomp^{t}. draw out the Accompt. Salary.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH : TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF THOMAS BULKELEY

SHEWETH

That Your Petition^{r}. hav^{g}. been for many months much Indispos'd and beleiving that his return^{g}. to his Native Country may Contribute to his recovery, Humbly desires Yo^{r}. Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will be Pleas'd to grant him leave to Resign the Honble. Companys service in order thereto.

And Your Petitioner as in duty bound shal ever Pray.

Brig^{te}. Triplicane James White master arr^{d}. from Bengall. 23

Ship Joseph Monsr. Liebaut saild for Maldives. —

Sloop Margery Titus Oates master arr^{d}. from Bengall by whom Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Letter from y^{e}. Presid^{t}. & Council dated the 29th. Ult^{o}. —

Brigantine Perry Nath^{ll}. Smith Master arr^{d}. from Bengall. 24

Ship Dolphin Capt. W^{m}. Montgomery arr^{d}. from Moha. —

Early this morning died M^{r}. Charles Davers Writer and was buried abo^{t}. 7 this Evening from the town hall. 26

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 26.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.	PRESID^{T}. & GOVERN^{R}.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^{L}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint master reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 32 : 32 : 60 wch. he pays in. Mint Acco^{t}. for last Month read ball^{e}. due fro. him Pag^{s}. 32 : 32 : 60 wch. he p^{s}. in.

Richard Horden late Sea Customer pays in Pag^{s}. 4420 : 7 : 68 in full of the ballance of that acco^{t}. for July. Sea Custom^{r}. p^{s}. in the ball^{ce}. of his acco^{t}. beg. Pag^{s}. 4420 : 7 : 68 in full for July.

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Sea Customr. reads yt. accot. for last Month.

Randal Fowke Sea Customr. reads that accot. for last month Vizt.—

Imports & Exports	1491	24	10
Custom on Grain	202	10	44
Anchorage	84	18	—
Pags.	1778	16	54

ballce. due from him Pags. 1746 : 29 : 52 [*sic*]

ballance due from him Pags. 1746 : 29 : 54.

[. . .]

Richard Horden Impt. Warehousekeeper pays in Pags. 2126 : 2 : 70.

Storekeepr. reads that Accot. for last Month ballce. due from him Pags. 6577:2 : 70 [of] wch. he ps. in Pags. 6000.

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him Pags. 6577 : 2 : 70 of wch. he pays in Pags. 6000.

Land Customr. pys. that Accot. for last Month ballce. Pags. 536 : 24 : 62.

Richard Benyon land Customer pays in the balle. of last mos. accot. being Pags. 536 : 24 : 62.

The Accot. Currt. of the Esate of the Old Arrack Farmr.

Mr. Draper late Secretary produces an accot. Currt. of the old arrack renters Estate and pays in the ballance being Pagods. 283 : 30 setting forth that he had paid in the same some time ago but that one Tagapa who bought one of the houses was for some misdemeanour imprison'd at the Choultry and he could not pay for it till he was releas'd.

Order'd the Storekeepr. send off wt. stores are dessign'd for the West Coast.

Order'd that the Storekeeper sends off what stores were design'd for the West Coast by the Metchlepatm. and Young Derby aboard the Perry Brigantine now bound thither.

That the Warehousekeepr. sets the Dyers and painters at Work & that he be advanc'd Pags. 1800.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper setts the Dyers and Painters at work and that he be advd. 1800 Pags. for that purpose.

Order'd Pags. 26 be repd. Nathaniel Turner.

Order'd that Pags. 26 be repaid Nathanl. Turner being so much he pd. into Cash for permission of passa. when he went to England.

Fort St. David Cash accot. for the month of Augst. reported to be right.

The Accompt. reports that the Fort St. David Cash Accot. for the month of Augst. is right.

Genll. Letter from Bengl. datd. the 29th. Augst. 1720 read.

Generall Letter from the President and Council of Bengall ℔ Ship Joseph dated the 29th. Augst. 1720 advisg. of the receipt of our several Letters dated ye. 13th. & 23d. June 20th. July & 7 & 13th. Augst. and that the Pylots by reason of the Freshes would by no means take charge of the Crags soon enuff to arrive here in October but that they design to send her wth. the Mary hither in November and the Duke of Cambe. & Derby in December wth. 400 bas. on each ship in order to take in the remainder of their Cargos & to be dispatch'd for Europe.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1720*—

Charles Davers dying early this morning and leaving a Will constituting Messrs. Sittwel & Oadham his Executors The said will was produc'd and read and the Wittnesses Paul Foxley and Andrew Pitcheir being calld in were duly sworn.

M^{r}. Charles Davers's will produc'd and read, and the Witnesses sworn.

ORDER'D that the said Will be enter'd after this Consultation.

ORDER'D the Will be enter'd after this Cons^{n}.

The Accomptant Produces the acco^{t}. Sallary due to the Honble. Comp^{as}. Covenanted Serv^{ts}. for the last six months am^{tg}. to 1798 : 8 : 27.

The Acco^{t}. salary produc'd.

ORDER'D that the same be paid.

THAT the same be p^{d}.

ORDER'D that the stores wch. M^{r}. Orme brô^{t}. hither belonging to Anjengo be sent by a Parr now bound thither.

ORDER'D the Stores belong^{g}. to Anjengo be sent by a Parr.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Charles Davers now of Fort S^{t}. George in East India Merch^{t}. being of Sound & Perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament in man^{r}. and form Following.

IMPRIMIS I recomend my soul to God who gave it hop^{g}. through the Merrits of a Crucify'd Saviour to obtain a Joyfull resurrection and my body I comit to the earth to be decently enterr'd and for all such worldly Estates as Wherewth. it has pleas'd God to bless me wth. I give and bequeath as follows Viz^{t}.

IMPRIMIS I leave unto the Charity School of this place Two hundred pagodas and desire the boys belong^{g}. to the School may attend me to the place of Burial.

ITEM. I leave unto the Master and Mistress of said School twenty Pagodas each for mourning I wish all Piety and learning may attend them and that they may Infuse the same into the Children by the help of our Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

ITEM. I leave unto my Friend M^{r}. Thomas Wright twenty Pagodas for Mourning I wish all health may attend him in this world and happiness in the next.

ITEM. I leave two hundred pagodas for a tomb to be erected in the Burial place in form as follows, four large Pillows each to be six Covids high and six Covids distance one from the other the top to be arch'd and upon each pillar a Cherubim and on the top of the arch the Effigie of Justice my body to be laid in the middle of the four pillars wth. a handsome stone atop of me rais'd about four feet and this inscript^{n}. on the stone, HERE LYETH THE BODY OF CHARLES DAVERS FOURTH SON OF S^{R}. ROBERT DAVERS BARR^{T}. WHO DE[PARTED] THIS LIFE THE [*lacuna*] OF [*lacuna*] ANNO DOM^{I}. AGED [*lacuna*]

THE four Pillars to be encompass'd in wth. Iron rails wch. are to go from Pillar to Pillar and at every square steps to be rais'd wth. Stone so as people may read the Inscription.

ITEM. I leave the Honble. Gov^{rs}. Council and Secretary of this Place each a gold ring of one Pagoda and a half each value wth. these words to be ingrav'd in them, Charles Davers ob^{t}. &c^{a}. to Whom I wish all Tranquillity health & Prosperity.

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ITEM. I leave unto Dr. Pitcheir the Sum̃ of thirty Pagodas in case I die of my Prest. Illness and that I did not pay him before I died.

ITEM. I leave unto my Friend Mr. Paul Foxley Twenty Pags. for Mourning to whom I wish all health in this world and happiness in the next.

ITEM. I leave unto the Minister that attends me Twenty Pags. for a Ring.

ITEM. I leave unto my Friend Mr. John Maubert Twenty Pagodas for Mourning.

LASTLY I leave my two trusty and beloved Friends Mr. George Sittwel and Mr. Catesby Oadham my two Executors of this my Last will and Testament and desire them to see me Carried to the place of burial in the manner follows. Vizt.

My Corps to be carried from the Town Hall at seven a Clock at night I desire that all the free Merchts. of my acquaintce. to attend me in their Pallanquens to the Place of Burial and as many of the Compas. Servants as I have had any intimacy wth. in my Life time, that all that attend me may have scarves and Hattbands decent, I desire that Mr. Main and Charity boys may go before my Corps and Sing a Hymn My Corps to be carry'd by Six English men or more If occasion The minister and the rest of the Gentlemn. following I desire of the Honble. Govr. that I may have as many great Guns fir'd as I am Years old wch. is now almost twenty one in case tis customary to pay for the Great guns firing, I desire you to do it I desire the favour of the Capt. of the Guard to attend me and that you Present him wth. a Gold ring the same as the Govr. and Council; And now as to my Estate, I have 1086 oz. Silver wch. my Father sent me out this year I am concern'd wth. Mr. Thomas Theobalds in a *respondenta*. bond in the Geo°. Brigantine I have also an adventure wth. Capt. James Hurdis the Prime Cost being Seventy two Pagodas and a half, I have at this time in my Escrutore abt. One hundred Pagodas besides Cloaths and Linnen an accot. of wch. I always keep in my Escrutore, I Desire of my two Executors to accept of thirty Pagodas each for mourning and each a ring of fifteen Pags. value wth. my name and time of death engrav'd upon it.

After my Corps is buried wch. I desire may be done very handsomely the remaindr. of my Estate I desire may be laid out in rice and be given to the Poor at the burial place as long as it lasts. THIS I DECLARE TO BE MY LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT.

Dated in Fort St. George this 28th. July 1720 Sign'd Seal'd & deliver'd in the Presence of us where no stampt Paper is to be had.

C. DAVERS.

(*Locus Sigilli*)

AND: PECHEIR.

PAUL FOXLEY.

DR. ESTATES OF THE OLD ARRACK FARMERS CR.

To Cash pd. the Cryer.	1	—	—	By a Parcel of House moveables sold	50	—	—
To do. pd. Cooly hire ...	—	6	—	By Accot. Sales of the followg. houss. Vizt.			
To Commission on pags. 300 at 5 ₩ °/o	15	—	—	One to Seigr. Nicole in bridge Stt. belongs. to Sitte Gruapa. in Leng 27 feet & breadth 17	42	18	—
To Ballance deld. the Honble. Govr. in Consultatn.	283	30	—	One to Jacob in ye. Mutal Petta belongs. to Virago in length 48 Feet in breadth 43	51	18	—
Pags.	300	—	—				

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One to Limgim Gruapah in y^e^. Weav^rs^. Street belong^s^. to Ninap^a^. Conicoply in length 60 f^t^. in breadth 45 ...	29	27	—
One to Maria near y^e^. Gov^rs^. Gard^ns^. belong^s^. to Emapa in length 24 Feet in breadth 44	9	27	—
One to Tellisinga in y^e^. Muttal Petta belon^s^. to Virago in Length 69 feet in breadth 35 feet ...	25	18	—
One to Tagapa in Lascar Street in length 33 feet in breadth 25	14	—	—
One to Shevrama in D^r^. Bungarma's Street in length 24 feet in breadth 15	17	—	—
By Acco^t^. sales of Sund^ry^. trinkets			
Gold to y^e^. amo^t^. of ...	33	—	—
Silver to d^o^.	27	—	—
Pag^s^.	300	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
₽ JOSHUA DRAPER.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[OCTOBER] THURSDAY 6TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.	PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Esqr. President reads the Acco^t^. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month ball^ce^. remaining Pag^s^. 60791 : 18 : 5.

Cashiers Acco^t^. for last Month read ball^e^. rem^g^. Pag^s^. 60791 : 18 : 5.

Richard Benyon Land Custom^r^. reads that Account for last month ballance due from him Pag^s^. 485 : 9 : 6.

Land Custom^r^. reads that Acco^t^. for last month ball^e^. due from him Pag^s^. 485 : 9 : 6.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster pays in Pag^s^. 182 : 18 for five unserviceable horses belong^s^. to the Company sold at Outcry by order of Consultation of the 15th. ult^o^.

Paym^r^. p^s^. in Pag^s^. 182 : 18 for six unserviceable Horses.

ORDER'D that Pag^s^. 4684 : 16 : 16. be advanced Thos. Cooke Warehousekeep^r^. to buy about forty tons of Cowrys wch. are offer'd for sale.

Pag^s^. 4684 : 16 : 16 be advanod the Warehousk^r^. to buy Cowries.

Generall Letter from the President and Council of Bengall read dated the 5th. September 1720.

Gen^ll^. Letter from Beng^l^. dat^d^. the 5th. Sepr. read.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1720—

Genll. Letters frõ. the Cheif and Council of Vizagapat̃. datd. the 10th & 23d. Sepr. read.

Generall Letters from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated the 10th. & 23d. Sepr. read to accompany Invoice and bill of loading for 173 bales of Callicoes laden aboard the Munchu as also their Consultations General Books and Paymasters Accots.

That the Munchu be unloaded.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper unloads the Munchu wth. all Convenient speed.

The Store-keepr. repts. that there's some planks in the Godown unfitt for service.

The Storekeeper reports that a parcell of Plank lie in the Godowns belonging to the Honble. Company which are old and unfit for service.

THEY are Order'd to be sold.

ORDER'D that he sells them at Outcry as soon as he can conveniently.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

7 Dispatchd ℘ pattamar a Generall Letter to the Presidt. and Council of Bombay of this days date.

8 Ship Cardonel belonging to the Honble. Company Capt. Wm. Mawson Commandr. arrivd. from Fort St. David by whom Recd. a General Letter from the Depty. Govr. & Council dated the 28th. Ulto.

— Recd. a Genll. Letter from the Depty. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated the 4th. Inst.

10 Brigantine Phoenix saild to ye. Coast.

— Ship Munchu Capt. John Dobie sail'd to Maldives.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 13TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Vizagapt̃. Cash Accot. repd. to be right.

The Accomptant reports that the Vizagapatam Cash Accots. are right.

The late Storekeepr. ps. in Pgs. 1919 : 28 : 10. the ballce. of that Accot.

Mr. Benyon late Storekeeper pays in Pagodas 1919 : 28 : 10 being the ballance of that Accot. for July setting forth that the reason it was not paid in sooner was because It coul'd not be collected in.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1720*—

General Letters from Fort S^{t}. David dated the 28th. ultimo & 4th. instant, The former of wch. by the Cardonel wth. Invoice and bill of loading for One thousand Bales sent upon her amounting to Pag^{s}. 56431 : 16 : 11 The latter to accompany their Cash accounts, Merchants acco^{ts}., Consult[a^{ns}.] and Paymasters accounts.

Gen^{ll}. Letters from F^{t}. S^{t}. David dat^{d}. the 28th ult^{o}. and 4th. Curr^{t}.

Randall Fowke late receiver pays in the Town Conicoplys duty for one year ending the Ult^{o}. July amount^{g}. as ℔ account perticulars enter'd after this Consultations to Pag^{s}. 323 : 28 : 15.

The late Receiver p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 323 : 28 : 15.

Lewis Melicque Farmer of the Arrack and Wine Licence pays in Pag^{s}. 333 : 12. for last months rent of that Farm.

Farm^{r}. of the Arrack and Wine Lycence p^{s}. in Pag^{s}. 333 : 12.

Agreed that the Cardonnell (after she's unloaden) goes into twenty fathom water and lie there till further orders.

That the Cardonnel after she's unloaden go into 20 fathom water.

Narran delivers in a Petition of Appeal from a Judgement given against him in the Mayors Court wch. being read is Order'd to be enter'd after this Consultation.

Narran deliv^{s}. in a pet^{n}. of Appeal from y^{e}. Mayors Court.

Agreed that the Consideration of this aff^{r}. be deferr'd till we can get Copys of the Judgement and other material Papers out of the Mayors Court..

The Considerat^{n}. thereof deferr'd.

Fra : Hastings.
Rich^{d}. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nath^{ll}. Turner.
Rich^{d}. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho : Wright.

Acco^{t}. of the Town Conicoply Duty Collected at the Sea Gate for one year from p^{mo}. Augst. 1719 to ult^{o}. July 1720.

			Pa.	fa.	Ca.
Anno 1719	For August	... ...	11	18	50
	September	... ...	23	3	45
	October	... ...	14	5	45
	Novemb^{r}.	... ...	—	2	55
$17\frac{19}{20}$	Decemb^{r}.	... ...	—	33	35
	January	... ...	57	19	5
	February	... ...	140	26	35
	March ...	... ...	87	27	40
	Aprill ...	... ...	27	1	55
	May ...	... ...	65	13	40
	June ...	... ...	31	29	15
	July ...	... ...	13	24	75
			473	28	15
Deduct the accustomary allowances Viz^{t}.					
The Town Conicoply for one year		 100			
The Receiver for d^{o}.		 50			
		—	150	—	—
		Pag^{s}.	323	28	15

Fort S^{t}. George Octr. 17. 1720.

Errors Excepted.

P^{r}. Randal Fowke.
Receiver.

—*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1720*—

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
President & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Narran

Sheweth

That Your Petitioner having been cast by a Judgement in ye. Mayors Court and hearing that an Appeal might be made to Your Honr. &ca. humbly desires that you'l be pleas'd to reexamine the affair in order to wch. he shall sett it in as plain and true a Light as he is able.

That Your Petitioner's son by name Subiah being kill'd as he was going to the Northward to purchase firewood and that your Petitioner upon hearing of the accident apply'd himself to Govr. Collet for a letter to the Government of Nellore in hopes of getting satisfaction for the damages he had sustain'd and that Your Petitionr. went himself in order thereto and That during his absence Rangapa Mr. Tullys Dubash kept a Clandestine correspondence wth. Subias Wife took possession of his Effects and seiz'd upon Your petitioners Banksalls of Firewood wth.out ever applyg. himself to any Person who could empower him to make such a seizure, Upon Your petitioners return he the said Rangapa took out a Warrant agst. him and confin'd him on accot. of some bonds wch. he says were sign'd by Subia But believing those bonds not to be authentick desires the Wittnesses to be sworn, Your Petitioner humbly submitts the whole affair to your Consideration and as in Duty bound

Shall ever Pray &ce.

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 17th.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr.
Richard Horden. Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke. Nathl. Turner.
Richard Benyon. John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper. Thomas Wright.

Mint accot. read

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him Rupees 10003 : 12 and 115 : 34 : 60 (As. pa. f. Ca.) the latter of wch. is paid into Cash.

Journall parcells read.

The Accomptant reads the Journall parcells for August.

Capt. Mawson requests the usual kentilage wch. is granted.

Capt. William Mawson delivers in a paper requesting the usual Kentilage from this Port addg. that he'l carry home his Iron Kintilage on the Owners Accot.

Agreed that his request be granted.

A second Petition of Appeal read concerng. the Mayors imprisong. Narrain wn. he had appeald to ye. board.

A Second Petition from Narran read setting forth that notwithstanding he had appeal'd to us for Justice in an affair wch. was given agst. him in the Mayors Court, The Mayor had thôt fit by virtue of an execution warrant to put him in Prison wch. hinder'd him from getting the material proofs to lay before us in relation to what he asserted in his petition of Appeal, and therefore desires leave to be admitted to bail.

Agreed yt. the Mayors Court have nothg. to do in such cases after an appeal is Lodgd.

Agreed that as an appeal is lodgd within the limitted time the power of the Mayors Court do's not extend so far as to put the said man or any other in prison he havg. thrown himself upon us for Justice and by that means was intirely out of the power or Jurisdiction of the Mayors Court.

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ORDER'D therefore that he be releas'd from Prison and that he gets every thing ready by next Consultat[n]. therefore tis ord[d]. that he be releasd from Prison.

The Warehousekeeper acquaints the board that the Dyers refuse to undertake the dying the remainder of the Long cloth contracted for in March 17 $\frac{18}{19}$ and June 1719 at the former price of 8 pag[s]. ℘ Corge they insisting on a Considerable advancement in consideration of the dearness of Indigo and Tomerup seeds w[ch]. are their Chief Ingredients. The quantity of Cloth not being yet del[d]. 2245 P[s]. The Dyers were sent for who pleaded that the late dry season had rais'd the price of Indigo from 25 to 80 pag[s]. ℘ Candy and Tomerup seeds w[ch]. were formerly 12 pag[s]. are now 50 pagadas ℘ Garse so that they have been considerable loosers by the last Cloth deliver'd them for wch. reasons they could not undertake the dying more under 12 pag[s]. ℘ Corge upon enquiry finding what they argued was in great measure truth and that the price was proportionably reais'd to the Southward, twas AGREED to allow 'em 12 pag[s]. ℘ Corge for what Cloth now deliver'd them, thô tis to be observ'd had this Cloth been deliver'd the Dyers when the rest was wch. was not before November last or in many months after it had been done at the same Price Which neglect is owing to the late Warehousekeeper. The Ware-housek[r]. acq[ts]. the board y[t]. the Dyers refuse to dye the Cloth at the form[r]. price on acco[t]. of the dearness of dy[g]. mat[rls].

The Warehousekeeper likewise reports that he has deliver'd the 800 peices of Chints Moorees contracted for in June 1719 to the painters Besides w[ch]. there are 500 p[s]. more in the preceeding contracts in March 17 $\frac{18}{19}$ not yet deliver'd them, w[ch]. is another peice of neglect of the late Warehousek[r].

ORDER'D that the Warehousek[r]. do forthwith deliver the 500 peices of Moorees to the painters and that Pag[s]. 1000 be paid him to adv[a]. to the painters and Dyers. W. h. k[r]. ord[d]. to del[r]. 500 p[s]. of Moorees to y[e]. painters.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort S[t]. David Cash acco[t]. and Merch[ts]. acco[ts]. are upon examinat[n]. found to be right. Accomp[t]. rep[ts]. y[e]. Fort S[t]. David Cash Acco[t]. to be right.

FRA: HASTINGS.
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JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FR[A]. HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESIDENT & GOV[R]. OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE &C[A]. COUNCILL.

HON[BLE]. S[R]. &C[A].

Having deliver'd to your Hon[r]. &c[a]. a Petition of Appeal from a Judgement given ag[st]. me in the Mayors Court and rec[d]. in ans[r]. that you had deferr'd the result till you could have a Copy of that Judgement and of the other material papers from thence, I am sorry to find myself under a necessity of acquaint[g]. you that by virtue of an execution warrant issued out by the Mayor I am committed to prison at a time when I had appeald to your Hon[r]. &c[a]. for Justice and when I was endeavouring to get the necessary evidences ready ; I therefore request the favour of your Hon[r]. &c[a]. to admitt me to bail that I may lay before you a true state of the case and bring

the Evidences to prove what I shall assert in relation to what laid before your Hon^r^. &c^a^. In my petition as well as in order to reexamine the affair of the bonds wch. the Mayor and Aldermen have adjudg'd in my disfavour and for which I appeald to your Hon^r^. &c^a^. the last Consultation I am as in duty bound

HON^BLE^.

Yo. Most Oblig'd Most

Faithfull Humble Servt.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE NARRAN.

OCTOBER Y^E^. 17TH. 1720

TO THE HON^BLE^. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.
PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^. OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE &C^A^. COUNCILL.

HON^BLE^. S^RS^.

As you have thought fit to detain ship Cardonnel here in order to lade her for Great Brittain I humbly request you'l please to allow her such Kentilage as is accustomary from this post, being willing to carry home my Iron Kentilage on the Owners acco^t^. without the usuall allowance of freight I am wth. respect

FORT S^T^. GEORGE HON^BLE^. S^RS^.

OCT^R^. THE 17TH. 1720. Yo. Most Obed^t^. Humble Servant

WILL^M^. MAWSON.

25TH. Dispatchd a Gen^ll^. Letter to Fort S^t^. David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY 24TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.	PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^LL^. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Sev^ll^. Sums offer'd to be paid into y^e^. Companys Cash for bills of Exch^e^.

The following Sums being offer'd to be paid into the Companys Cash for our bills on the Honble. Company of this days date at nine shillings ℘ Pagoda the same were accepted and the bills sign'd accordingly The particulars Whereof are Viz^t^.

Three bills to M^r^. Thomas Way by order of Capt. Orril at Fort S^t^. David payble to M^rs^. Grace Orril or order for	Pag^s^.	300	—	—
Three d^o^. to the Minister and Church Warden payble to M^rs^. Sarah Burniston or order for.		5081	15	62
	Pag^s^.	5381	15	62

——FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1720——

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekeep^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 5 : 18 : 3.

Thomas Cooke Exp^{t}. W. h. k^{r}. reads y^{t}. acco^{t}. for last mo.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeep^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 5070 : $\overset{fa}{13}$: $\overset{Ca}{74}$ of wch. he pays in Pag^{s}. 3174 : 21 : 55 acco^{t}. Rupees sold.

Import Do.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that Acco^{t}. for last month ballance due to him Pag^{s}. 1407 : 14 : 40 wch. is Order'd to be paid.

Richard Benyon Land Customer pays in the ballance of that acco^{t}. for last month being Pag^{s}. 495 : 9 : 6.

Land Cust^{r}. pays in pag^{s}. 495 : 9 : 6.

John Emmerson Storekeep^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 1531 : 34 : 40.

Storek^{rs}. acco^{t}. read for last mo.

Randall Fowke Sea Custom^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 4496 : $\overset{fa}{29}$: $\overset{ca}{22}$. of wch. he pays in 2000.

Sea Cust^{rs}. acco^{t}. for last month read & pays in 2000.

The affair of Narrain being taken into Consideration Agreed That the Companys Merch^{ts}. and the Chief Dubash with the other head servants examine into the affair and give their report to the board.

Narrains affair taken into Considerat^{n}.

The Sea Customer represent^{s}. that the Mussoolas were much out of repair and that the Boatmen desir'd $\overset{pa}{100}$ towards repairing them Agreed That the Warehousekeeper advance them One hundred Pagodas in consideration of the necessity there is of hav^{g}. the boats in order before the month of January and of the prospect we have of a plentifull year whereby they may be enabled to discharge their debt to the Company wch. the severity of y^{e}. famine has hitherto prevented them from.

Sea Cust^{r}. represents y^{t}. the Mussoolas are much out of Repair. 100 pag^{s}. ord^{d}. to be adv^{d}. the boatmen.

The Mayor acquaints the Board that as accustomary he had granted an Execution warrant for the apprehending Narran and thô he offer'd to accept of bail for his person yet he could not or would not bring any, Wherefore he had imprison'd him but without the least designe of disrespect to the Govr. & Council.

The Mayor acq^{ts}. y^{e}. board y^{t}. he had acted as accustom^{ry} in apprehend^{g}. Narrain & did it not wth. any disrespect.

So for the future It is Order'd that whomsoever appeals from a Judgement given in the Mayors Court to this board that he immediately gives security to the Honble. President for his person or deposite to the amount of the Judgement given in the Mayors Court till the Govern^{r}. and Councils determination is known.

Ord^{d}. for y^{e}. future that Security in such cases be given to y^{e}. President.

John Roach presents a petition of Appeal setting forth that having been cast by a Judgement in the Mayors Court concern^{g}. two bulses of Rubies & Emeralds wch. he had sent wth. Capt. Godwin in 1715 to The West Coast wth. orders if he could not sell 'em there to leave 'em wth. M^{r}. Collet the then Dep^{ty}. Govr. & M^{r}. Elisha Ellil, But contrary to those orders The said Godwin carried the Emeralds and Rubies to Batavia & left 'em in y^{e}. hands of one Peter Maudct to be dispos'd off To the best advantage. Therefore The said John Roach beleiv^{s}. he had a just demand on Godwins Estate for breach of orders whereby he took the amount on his own Risque attaches a sum of mony in M^{r}. Theobalds's hands wch. being given agst. him by the Mayor & Aldermen he appeals to this board desiring a thorough examination and Justice to be done him accordingly.

John Roach presents a petition of appeal frō the Mayors Court.

Agreed that we deferr the Consideration of this affair till another opportunity.

the Considerat^{n}. thereof deferred.

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Paymasters acco^t^. read.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that acco^t^. for last month Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	1943	31	60
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Charges Generall	776	32	65
New Warehouse	184	21	10
Charges Cattle	203	27	30
Acco^t^. Cattle for 12 Horses bought	1210	—	—
Charges Extraordinary	162	12	35
Repairs of Fortifications	935	31	65
Marlbrô Fort	24	25	60
Charges Diet	652	23	20
Diet and Stores laid in	487	33	35
Bombay Presidency	24	26	60
Pag^s^.	6617	14	40

ballance due from him Pag^s^. 1407 : 14 : 40 wch. is order'd to be paid.

The Extraordinary expences of this month We find to arise from the following particulars Viz^t^.

CHARGES GENERALLS Vizt.						
Nathaniel Turners Serv^ts^. wages and allow^ce^. 22mo. from y^e^. time of his suspension to his arrival	51	—	—			
New Warehouse	184	21	10			
				236	19	10
CHARGES CATTLE for Nath^ll^. Turners horse 22mo. p^a^. 1-14 ₰' mens. from y^e^. time of his suspension to his arrival.				30	20	—
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY						
M^r^. Jenning's Journey to Fort S^t^. David	143	—	35			
Buzar Physick p^d^. D^r^. Pitchiers note..	6	18	—			
Diet for prison^rs^. water for sold^rs^. &c^a^.	12	30	—			
				162	12	35
REPAIRS OF FORTIFICATIONS Town wall, Egmore house, Fort lodging, Hospit^l^. Garden &c^a^.				935	51	65
Marlbrô Fort for Godown hire boat & Cooley hire				24	25	60
CHARGES DIET for Nath^ll^. Turners diet mony from y^e^. time of his suspension to the time of his reinstatem^t^. is 22 m.o. at 10 p a. ₰' mens.	220	—	—			
Two pipes of Madera wine allow'd the Honble. Presid^t^. in lieu of Europe liquors	54	10	—			
				274	10	—
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for 15 Soldiers that came upon the William				24	26	60
ACCO^T^. CATTLE for 12 horses bought by order of Consultat^n^.				1210	—	—
Pag^s^.				2899	—	70

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Disp^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. to y^{e}. Chief and Council of Calicut ℘ Peons by whom also went another to y^{e}. Cheif and Council of Anjengo both of this days date. 27.

Rec^{d}. a Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from M^{r}. Humphry Holcomb at Metchlepat^{m}. of this days date. 28.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[NOVEMBER] THURSDAY 3D.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. reads the acco^{t}. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month ballance remain^{g}. Pag^{s}. 64527 : $\overset{fa.}{24}$: $\overset{ca.}{50}$.

Cash acco^{t}. for last month read.

Richard Benyon Land Customer reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 353 :17 : 69.

Land Cust^{rs} acco^{t}. read.

Generall Letter from the Dep^{ty}. Govr. and Council of Fort S^{t}. David dated the 30th. ult^{o}. read acq^{tg}. us that their Merchants cannot be prevailed on as yet to comply wth. our List for an Investment, but offer to enter upon a Contract If we would allow 'em to provide 1000 p^{s}. more of Fine Long Cloth 2000 of Midling d^{o}. and 8000 p^{s}. of Worriapollam and that instead of 50,000 p^{s}. of Ordinary Longcloth and Sallampores to bring in 35,000 of the former and 36,000 of the latter.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from y^{e}. D.G. of Fort S^{t}. David dated 30th. wth. proposa's ab^{t}. an Investm^{t}.

The said proposalls being taken into consideration It is AGREED that we cannot consent to an abatement in the Quantitys of Long Cloth and Sallampores but that for their encouragement we make the aforement^{d}. addition to the List provided they comply wth. every thing else in it.

wch. propos^{ls}. are taken into Considerat^{n}. & agreed to.

The Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. and Council desiring that M^{r}. Wendy our Minister migh t go down thither for a little while, It is AGREED that he setts as soon as the weather will permitt.

Agreed y^{t}. M^{r}. Wendy goes to Fort S^{t}. David for a little while.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam read dated the 3^{d}. ult^{o}. advising of M^{r}. Harris death and to Inclose Dup^{te}. of their Generall Letter wth. Copys of Invoice & bill of load^{g}. for the bales sent on the Munchu.

[. . .]

Generall Letter from M^{r}. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepatam dated the 12th. ult^{o}. read to inclose his acco^{ts}. of expenses for August and Septemb^{r}. and to acquaint us of an Insult from the Dutch to the Peons belong^{g}. to our Factory at their Feast of wch. after enquiry is made we shall take notice accordingly.

Gen^{ll}. Lett^{r}. from M^{r}. Holcomb at Metch. dated y^{e}. 12th. ult^{o}.

The Paymaster representing that fan^{s}. were very scarce in the place It is AGREED that A Chest of silver be deliver'd into mint for that purpose.

Paym^{r}. repres^{g}. that Fan^{s}. are very scarce, a Chest of Silv^{r}. to be coin'd.

ORDER'D that Pagodas 3000 be advanc'd Nathaniel Turner Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^{s}. 3000 adv^{d}. Nathll. Turn^{r}. paym^{r}.

Joshua Draper Rental General & Scavinger delivers in the rent roll for the year 1721 wch. is approv'd and sign'd.

Rent Roll for 1721 del[^{d}]. in app^{d}. & sign'd.

Tilla Chitty presents a Petition of Appeal from a Judgement given against him in the Mayors Court as enter'd after this Consult^{n}. as also a Narrative of the whole affair.

Tilla Chitty presents a petition of Appeal frõ. y^{e}. Mayore Court.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1720*——

The affair to be referrd to impartial persons.

Agreed that this affair be referr'd to impartial persons for their examination a[nd] that they give their opinions concerning it in wri[ting] to the board.

Presidt. thinks we ought to take some necessry. means abt. ye. Contra. wch. our old Merchts. had refus'd.

The President acquaints the board that as both our sett of Merchants had actually refus'd [to] enter upon a contract he thought it necessary that we should come to some resolution concerning it He further adds that he had discours'd a New sett of Merchts. and had some hopes that they would come to an agreement thô at present he could not bring them to it.

Fra : Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
[*Lacuna*].
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho : Wright.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
President & Govr. of Fort St. George &ca. Councill.

The Humble Petition of Tilla Chitty

Sheweth

That your Petitioner havg. had a Judgement given against him in the Mayors Court and knowing the Liberty granted to all persons to appeal in such cases to your Honr. &ca. Your petitionr. humbly desires you'l please to take into your Consideration and reexamine the affair in order to which Your Petitionr. has herewth. deliver'd in a narrative of what he knows of the matter for wch. Yor. Petitioners as in duty bound shall every Pray &ca.

The Case between Tilla Chitty & Moorta Marr Chitty.

About 7 years since Tilla Chitty borrow'd of Moota [Marr] Chitty at 4 sevl. times pags. 800 & gave 4 bonds Vizt. one for [...] do. 250, do. 150, do. 100 some time after he borrowd more 200 for wch. he gave Moota Mar for his Security A small Bag of Jewells, some time aftr. Moota Marr hearg. that Tilla Chitty had a Quantity of Rice & Grain abt. 23¼ Garse demded. his mony. The sd. Tilla Chitty findg. ye. price of grain fall as he could not get prime cost for it desd. Moota Mar to have [pati]ence for a small time & he wod. pay him Upon wch. Moota Marr Requestd. yt. ye. grain might be put in his possession for his bettr. security. Accordingly by a writg. ye. said Tilla [Chitty] makes ovr. ye. sd. grain upon Moota Marrs promisg. him to have ye. 4 % of sellg. it payg. him his principl. & Intt. might enjoy the [. . .] So Tilla Chitty keeps ye. key of the Godown & Moota Mar pa[ys] his Crop on ye. door wth. a promise yt. he would not trouble [ye.] sd. Tilla Chitty till he cod. sell his goods for advantage.

But Contrary to his promise in the beging. of Govr. Collets time ye. sd. Moota Marr demded. his mony again wch. yn. obligd. sd. Tilla Chitty to think of sellg. sd. rice and Grain & replied yt. his partner was at Palliacat yt. he wod. go & talk wth. him & at his return would sell ye. sd. grain & discharge his bonds to wch. Moota Mar seem'd very well satisfied. Accordingly sd. Tilla Chitty put his Chests & Escrutores in one room wth. the keys of his house wherein was some rice & other Effects &ca. leavg. one room only to his Aunt who look'd aftr. his house.

But as soon as Tilla Chitty was gone for Palliacat Moorta Mar came to Tillys house & brake open ye. doors of ye. rooms where his Chest & Escrutores were & findg. ye. keys opend ye. Sd. Chests & Escrutores wherein were sevll. Responda bonds to ye. amot. of 800 pags. Vizt. to Pegu 100, to Arakan 100 to Manilha 600 besides ye. abundce. of other things as rice aforesd. &ca. wch. wn. Tilla Chittys Aunt percd. she

ran & call'd Pondry. Noche Narrn. to wittness ye. base villany done by Moota Marr Chitty to her Nephew but aftr. his ransackg. ye. house she went directly to Palliacat to acqt. her Nephew of Moorta Mar his plunderg. or rifling his house in his absce. upon wch. Tilla Chitty considerg. how he might redress himself but knowg. Moota Mar to be a rich man & in favr. wth. ye. Govr. was afd. to return to Madrass.

Soon after wch. it hapd. to prove a year of Famine & ye. rice aforesd. sold at ye. yn. Common price would have amted. to near 2000 pagodas That Moota Marr havg. rifled ye. house as aforesd. took wth. him ye. key of the godon. wherein ye. sd. rice &ca. were contd. without any legal powers so to do & some time after one Carpa Chitty a relatn. of the said Tilla Chitty came to Madrass to see ye. place the said Moota Mar hearg. thereof seiz'd on ye. sd. Carpa Chitty (thô no ways concern'd in ye. sd. affair) & would have oblig'd him to have paid the sd. debt of 800 pags. To wch. the sd. Carpa Chitty answer'd yt. as his kinsman had given security he had no manr. of concern in yt. affair notwth.standg. ye. Innocency of ye. sd. Carpa Chitty ye. sd. Moota Marr Chitty confin'd him ye. sd. Carpa Chitty in a godown of his own without any legal powr. so to do by ye. wch. severity after two or 3 days confinemt. and almost starv'd wth. hunger the sd. Moota Marr Chitty forc'd the sd. Carpa Chitty to mortgage ye. sd. Tilla Chittys house for 400 pags. wch.he had no mannr. of right to do & to make it appr. ye. more legal (by some means or other) got it registerd in the Mayors Court.

That abt. two years aftr. ye. sd. Tilla Chitty wrote a privte. Letter to Modram Chitty to beg his assista. in ye. righting him in this pe. of Injustice upon wch. the said Modram Chitty ansd. him yt. if he would come to town he need not fear being molested for he had Intt. enuff to prevt. yt. & upon ye. sd. Tilla Chittys coming to town The sd. Modram Chitty promis'd to assist him by Petitiong. the Govr. and Council.

Moota Marr hearg. hereof sent to Modram Chitte and desir'd he would desist from acquaintg. The Govr. &ca. for he would referr ye. matter to him & he would stand to his arbitration to wch. Modram Chitte ansd. how could he be an Arbitrator in an affair wherein you have been guilty of house breakg. and disposg. of the Effects of a poor man wth.out any legal Authority so to do and that to the value of near 3000 pagodas, to wch. was returned ansr. from Moota Mar Chitty that he had not done ye. sd. Tilla Chitty much damage therefore desir'd yt. he might be so far favour'd by Moodram Chittee as yt. he would espouse ye. Cause and make ye. matter up between the said Tilla Chitty and Moota Mar.

Upon wch. reply Moodram Chitty sent for Tilly Chittee and ask'd him wt. he would have him to do in this affair To wch. sd. Tilla Chitty ansd. since I am a poor man and have been so long out of the place & in no mannr. of trade or business do wt. you will so I have but somewt. of my Effects again That thereupon Moodram Chitty took upon him to be Umpire but never could get Moota Mar Chitty to a meeting but always delay'd & put it off from time to time till such time yt. Govr. Collet had made a new Contt. wth. ye. Merchts. & had given Moota Mar Chitty a fine pallankeen Upon wch. findg. himself so much in ye. favr. of Govr. Collet instead of makg. restitutn. to Tilla Chitty threatend. to have him put in prison wch. obligd ye. sd. Tilla Chetty to return to St. Thoma for sanctuary. Abt. a month since the sd. Tilly Chitty wrote a Lettr. to one Venkettyputty to acqt. ye. Govrs. dubash desirg. to get a Cowle to come to Mads. in ordr. to apply himself to the Honble. Govr. &ca. & on Mundy. being ye. 24th. Octr. applied himself to the Govrs. dubash to get a petitn. wrote. Moota Mar hearg. hereof obtd. a warrt. from ye. Mayors Court & arrested him accordingly before he could get admission to ye. Honble. Govr. to set forth his case That on Fryday ye. 28th. Octr. was produc'd in Court 3 bonds Vizt. one yt. Moota Mar Chitty extorted from ye. sd. Carpa Chitty as afore set forth & two other bonds sign'd by Tilla Chitty as aforesd. for abt. 400 pags. upon wch. the sd. Moota Mar obtd. Judgemt.

The appealant therefore humbly hopes (as he has given a true narrative of his deplorable case) he may have Justice accordingly.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1720—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 9TH. [10TH.]

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.	PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Storekeep^{rs}. acco^{t}. for last month read.

John Emmerson Storekeeper reads that acco^{t}. for Last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 680 : 19 : 35.

Ord^{d}. that the Est^{te}. of the Widow Fleetwood dec^{d}. be p^{d}. into y^{e}. Comp^{as}. Cash.

ORDER'D that the Estate of the Widow Fleetwood dec^{d}. be paid into the Companys Cash after what is due to Messrs. Robert and Charles Fleetwood be discharg'd and that bills of Exchange on the Honble. the Court of Directors be given for the amount.

The Presid^{t}. acq^{ts}. the board that he had brôt. Gongarã. &c^{a}. to an agreem^{t}.

The President acquaints the board that according to what mention'd in last Consultat^{n}. he had brought the following substantial Persons to an agreement Viz^{t}. Gongarama, Amarashatacka, Tanga, Chittee, Nallamoorte Collastre Chitte, upon which they were call'd in and being ask'd whither they would enter upon a Contract for 2000 bales they accepted of it desiring the Govern^{r}. and Councils particul^{r}. protection in consideration that they had undertaken a Contract when the other Merchants actually refus'd and when they were under so many discouragements from the large Investments made by the French at Pondicherry and the Ostenders at Covelong. They further desir'd a List of the Goods to be provided in order to give in their answer by next Consultat^{n}. wch. is granted.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICH^{D}. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
[*Lacuna*].
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 17.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.	PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.
RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH : TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Francis Hastings Mint Master reads y^{t}. acco^{t}. for last month.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mintmaster reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him Pag^{s}. 60 : 6 : 40 and Rupees 10003 : $\overset{\text{ans.}}{12}$. the form^{r}. of wch. is paid into Cash.

Export Warehousek^{rs}. acco^{t}. for last month read.

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekeep^{r}. reads that acco^{t}. for last month ballance due from him $\overset{\text{Pa}}{1209}$: $\overset{\text{fa}}{26}$: $\overset{\text{ca.}}{5}$.

Import d^{o}.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeep^{r}. reads that Acco^{t}. for last month ball^{a}. due from him Pag^{s}. 7361 : — : $\overset{\text{ca}}{53}$.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1720*——

The trustees to the Estate of the Widow Fleetwood dec^{d}. pay in pag^{s}. 2246 : 23 : 35 for wch. three bills of Exch^{a}. on the Honble. Court of Directors are sign'd Payable to Edwd. Harrison Esqr., The Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Lewis and Osmond Beavoir Esqr.

The trustees to the Estate of the Widow Fleetwood dec^{d}. pays in pag^{s}. 2246 : 23 : 35.

Petition of Marcus Moses read (as enter'd after this Consultation) desiring Liberty to return to England by one of the Ships bound thither this season wch. is granted.

Petition of Marcus Moses read.

The Accomptant acquaints the board that he has found out an Error in the Generall books to the prejudice of Bengall Presidency wch. is debted for what we sent them after the rate of 315 Rupees for 100 pag^{s}. wch. should be 330 Rupees for 100 pag^{s}. and therefore desires the orders of the board concerning it.

Accomp^{t}. acq^{ts}. y^{e}. board that he has found an error in y^{e}. Gen^{ll}. Books.

Agreed that the said mistake be immediately rectify'd in our books and that we advise the President & Council of it in our next Generall Letter.

The s^{d}. Mistake to be Rectify'd.

M^{r}. Horden presents a demand on the Estate of Philip Noden dec^{d}. for Rupees 1081 : 5 : 1 wth. Int^{t}. wch. is ord^{d}. to be paid.

M^{r}. Horden presents a dem^{d}. on y^{e}. Est^{e}. of Philip Noden wch. is allowd.

Messrs. Elwick, Horden & Tullie, deliver in a paper setting forth that they find upon perusal of the Interrogatorys relating to the affair between Messrs. Josias Chitte and the Company that Messrs. Berlu, Berriman & Lieu^{t}. D'Morgan are the most proper persons to ans^{r}. to sev^{ll}. therein recited Wherefore they desire that we will order the attendance of said persons and likewise that the Secretary let 'em have the perusal of what Consultations & papers they find necessary on that occasion.

Messrs Horden, Elwick & Tullie, del^{r}. in a paper desir^{g}. the attend^{ce}. of Messrs. Berlu, Berriman and Lieut^{t}. D'Morgan.

Agreed that the Secretary sends 'em what papers & Consultat^{s}. they shall dem^{d}. for their perusal and that we write for Messrs. Berlu, Berriman & D'Morgan, in our next Generall Letter in order to have this affair ended time enough to send by the first ship.

The Secretary ord^{d}. to send 'em w^{t}. pap^{s}. & Cons^{s}. they shall want.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster delivers in a List of Cloaths wanting in the Hospital as enter'd after this Consultation Order'd that the same [be] provided.

Paymaster del^{rs}. in a List of Hospital Cloaths want^{g}.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper do sell what silver is remaining in the Godown after the rate of $15\frac{1}{8}$ doll. ℔ 10 pag^{s}. and not under.

Warehouskr. to sell w^{t}. silv^{r}. remain^{g}. at y^{e}. rate of $15\frac{1}{8}$.

The rice now in store being liable to damage & there being an appearance of a plentifull year tis Ord^{d}. that it be dispos'd off at Outcry as soon as possible.

Rice ord^{d}. to be sold.

The Petition of Narran the appellant from the Mayors Court read (as enterd after this Consult^{a}.) representing that Nairo Verona the Jentue Alderman who had given the Cause agst. him in the Mayors Court has also concern'd himself officiously & unwarrantably in the affair since it was ord^{d}. to be examined by the Companys black Merchants & principal Inhabitants wch. representations appear to be true by their report now deliver'd in & read as enterd after Consultat^{n}. the said Narran in his Petition also sets forth that several of the subscrib^{rs}. to the report were heard to say in the presence of Messrs. Draper & Wright the quite contrary to what they have therein asserted and that therefore as they have prevaricated very much on this occasion he desires the fav^{r}. of the board to make a yet stricter examination into the affair in order to detect a fraud that may perhaps have been committed by those whom we intrusted to give a light into this affair.

The Petition of Narrain read.

The said petition being consider'd the board thought fit in compassion to the plaintiffs indigent Circumstances his pressing solicitations and of doing the poor man Justice to appoint Messrs. Thos. Cooke & Joshua Drap^{r}. to make a very strict inquiry into all the Circumstances of the affair and to make their report to this board accordingly.

The s^{d}. petit^{n}. consid^{d}. & Messrs. Cooke & Drap^{r}. ord^{d}. to make a strict enquiry.

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Gongaram appears before ye. Board in ordr. to give their ansr. to the List of Goods.

Gongaram &ca. Merchants appear before the board in order to give their answer to the List of Goods to be provided according to their promise in last Consultation they object against the large Quantity of Course goods alledging that wthout a proportionate quantity of fine goods they should be considerable sufferers by the Investments as the French at Pondry. and the Ostenders at Covelong have contracted for so large quantity of those goods whereby the greatest part of the Weavers in the Country are fully employ'd, they also object against the late prizes of those goods and insist upon an advancemt. but the board not thinking it proper for very many reasons to comply wth. any such proposals Judg'd it better to dismiss them for the present in order to deliberate upon ye. matter & return an answer by next Consultatn.

Major Roach appears in order to answr. to any interrogatorys yt. might be put to him.

Major John Roach appearing before the board in order to ansr. to any interrogatorys that should be put to him in relation to the Case between him and the Estate of Capt. Freak Godwin decd. that affair was reassum'd the matter being debated for some time the board was desirous of being satisfied concerning the time of the arrival & departure of Capt. Godwin at this place and from Batavia West Coast & Malacca for want of knowing wch. they could not at this time proceed any further in the affair and several arguments were made use off upon this occasion both for and agst. the Plaintiff at length the matter appearing very intricate the board thought fit to order Mr. Joshua Draper to make a strict enquiry into all the perticulars of the affair and to lay before us a full and Clear accot. of the whole wth. whatever reasons might occur to him on both sides by way of remonstrance in order to make us come to a speedy determination of the affair.

The Cardonnel ordd. to be loaden.

Order'd that the Cardonel be loaden wth. all Convenient speed.

Fra : Hastings.
Richd. Horden.
Tho : Cooke.
Rand : ffowke.
Nathll. Turner.
[*Lacuna*].
John Emmerson.
[*Lacuna*].
Tho : Wright.

To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

We find upon perusal of the Interrogatorys sent up relating to the affair of Josias Chitty and the Honble. Company that Messrs. Berlu, Berriman & Lieutent. John D'Morgan, Fort St. David are the most proper persons to ansr. several therein recited We therefore request Your Honr. &ca. to order their attendance on us that we may get the affair ended so as to send it ₽ first ship.

We likewise desire your Honr. &ca. to order the Secretary to let us have the perusal of such Consultats. and Papers relating to this business as are necessary We are

Honble. Sr. &ca.
Yor. Most Obedt. Humble Servants.

Nathl. Elwick.
Richard Horden.
George Tullie.

Fort St. George
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To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Marcus Moses

Sheweth

That being desirous of going for England as soon as possible he requests your Honr. &cas. permission to take his passage upon one of the ships bound thither this season and your Petitionr. as in Duty bound shall every pray &ca.

To the Honble. Francis Hastings Esqr.
President & Govr. &cA. Council of Fort St. George.

The Humble Petition of Narrain

Sheweth

That Mr. Wright has sent for Ramapa Braminy and Paupa and shew'd them those bills askg them whither they were right or not, They said it is not proper that we give an ansr. ourselves but We shall get more people and Consider of it and to-morrow we shall give our answr. accordingly they came on the morrow and wth. them the following persons Vizt. Ramapa, Ramalinga, Arreapa & Kistna Braminys after they had Consider'd the hand for some time they all Agreed that three of the bills were not right and testify'd the same to Mr. Draper and Mr. Wright and then went their way I hope your Honr. &ca. have heard of this perticular.

Your Honr. &ca. was pleas'd to order the Compas. Dubash to shew the bills to the Companys Servants and they said that they were Mallabars and did not understand Jentue Writing.

The aforesaid persons do now join together and say that all the bills are true they have likewise got Verapa Chitty a Court Alderman wth. some others belongg. to him to say the same Notwithstandg. your Honours orders to the said Verapa Chitty should not see those bills.

I humbly beg that your Honr. &ca. will be pleas'd to examine into this affair being a poor man and having nothing to trust to but the Justness of my Cause and Your Honr. &cas. goodness in making an inquiry into the reason of these persons first saying that the bills were not right and after that they were and yor. Petitionr. as in Duty bound shall ever pray &ca.

A List of Cloaths wanting in the Hospital.

Gowns One hundred	100
Pillows Do.	100
Pillowbears Do.	100
Caps Do.	100
Rolls of Cotlacing twenty	20
Quilts One hundred	100
Breeches One hundd. & Thirty	130
Shirts One hundred & Fifty	150

Andrew Pecheir,
Surgeon.

Receiv'd a Generall Letter from the Depty. Govr. & Council of Fort St. David dated 14th. Inst. 20th.

Receiv'd a Generall Letter from M[r]. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepat. dated the 1st. Inst. 21

Ship JaneLabdeen Mahomud Ismael Noquedah frō. Bengll. 29 [*sic*]

Brigantine belonging to Mr. Deane from ditto. —

Dispacthd. a Genll. Letter to Ft. St. David. —

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At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 24.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^t^. & Govr.

Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Nathaniel Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

Sea Custom^rs^. acco^t^ for last m^o^. read & pays in pag^s^. 1000

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that acco^t^. for last month ballance due from him Pag^s^. 3321 : 4 : 6 of wch. he pays in 1000.

Paymasters acco^t^. read.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that acco^t^. for last month Viz^t^.

Charges Garrison	1948	29	20
Charges Generall	760	26	30
New Warehouse	546	17	35
Charges Cattle	161	9	30
Charges Extraord^ry^.	21	—	40
Bombay Presidency	24	26	60
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Diet & Stores L^d^. in	478	22	40
Charges Diet	398	18	30
Repairs of Fortifications	467	10	50
Pags.	4817	17	15

Ballance due to him 2817 : 17 : 15 wch. is ord^d^. to be p^d^.

Charges Extra-ordinary.

Upon the examining the extraord^ry^. expences of last month We find it to arise from the following particulars.

New Warehouse for Timbers &c^a^.	546	17	35
Charges Cattle for silk reins, Tossils, Sadle, Cloth, &c^a^., for y^e^. state bridle	9	25	—
Charges Extraord^ry^. for diet to prison^rs^. & 2 men y^t^. went to Moco Moco	21	—	40
Bombay Presidency for a Srej^t^. Corp^ll^. & 13 Centinells.	24	26	60
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Repairs of Fortificat^s^. to the town wall, Choultry Gate, Egmore house, horse [S]table, Hospital, &c^a^. ...	467	10	50
Pag^s^.	1079	8	25

Land Custom^r^. pays in Pag^s^. 353 : 17 : 69.

Richard Benyon Land Custom^r^. pays in the ball^a^. of that acco^t^. for last month being pag^s^. 353 : 17 : 69.

Gen^ll^. Letter from y^e^. D. Govr. & Council of F.S^t^.D.

Generall Letter from the Dep^ty^. Govr. & Council of Fort S^t^. David read to accompany their Cash & Merchants Acco^ts^.

Gen^ll^. Lre. from M^r^. Holcomb at Metchlepat^m^.

Generall Letter from M^r^. Humprey Holcomb at Metchlepat^m^. read, dated the 1st. ins^t^. to inclose his October months acco^t^.

Paym^r^. represeng^g^. a place to be want^g^. to put Chenam in wch. is ag^d^. to be built on y^e^. Island.

The Paymaster representing that a place is want^g^. to keep the Companys Chenam from the Weather and that a Shed might be built on the Island for a small charge wch is Agreed to.

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Mr. Way delivers in a report as enterd after this Consultation setting forth that a peice of ground lying near the Padrés Garden of little or no use to the Company at Prest. would be of great service to the sd. Padres, ORDD. that the said Pas [*sic*] of ground wch. serves at present for a passage way be granted to them in Consideratn. of their granting Liberty of their well to the Inhabitants and of their keepg. the said passage way in good repair.

Mr. Ways report abt. a peice of ground near the Padre's Garden. ORDD. that the sd. Ground be given to ye. Padres.

The President acquaints the board that he has thô wth. great difficulty perswaded Gongaram &ca. New Merchants to enter into a Contt. for providg. 2000 bales at the usual rates accordg. to the proportion mentioned in the List as enterd after this Consultatn. wth. very little Deviation from yt. Recd. the last shipg. they were thereupon calld in and after some few objections prevaild upon to an ageeement The board exempting 'em from takg. any of the broad Cloth in part of payment till the arrival of the ships the next year from Europe That now upon hand being reserv'd for the Merchts. that contracted in Febry. Last Gongaram &ca. Merchts. being dismis[sd] every member of the board took occasion to acqt. the President that he thought he had surmounted a very great difficulty in bringg. in a new sett of Merchants to conclude upon a contract for such a quantity of goods at a time when the other sett of Merchts. had absolutely refus'd to comply and yt. it would be esteem'd a very acceptable pe. of service to Our Honble. Masters and what renders this pe. of service the more conspicuous was that Sunca Rama &ca. Right hand Merchts. imediately apply'd upon yt. occasion & offer'd their service to Contract for 2000 bales more wch. we thôt prudence to accept on this occasion it being a Critical Juncture althô at any other time we should have thought it proper to reject their former refusall they then desir'd a list of the goods to be del. them Wch. the Warehousekr. was ordd. to produce the next Consultatn.

The Presidt. acqts. ye. board that Gongaram is prevd. on entrg. into a Contt.

Messrs. Cooke & Draper delr. in their report (as enter'd after this Consultatn.) relatg. to the affr. dependg. betwixt Narran and Rangapa a debate arisg. upon the Subject Mr. Benyon the Mayor & Mr. Turner one of the Aldermen were ordd. to withdraw & Narrans representation being found to be just and two of the bonds Vizt. one for 35 and another for 9 & ¾ being thought suspitious no wittnesses appearg. to the formr. the latter being conceald and the sd. Narran acknowledgg. the validity of the other three It was put to the vote whither the two last nam'd were valid or Invalid & Agreed to be Invalid.

Messrs. Cooke and Draper delr. in their rept. relatg. to Narrain affair.

ORDER'D that the said Narrain do pay to the said Rangapa the amot. of the two first nam'd bonds and that both of 'em do pay an equal share of the Charges.

Narrain ordd. to pay sd. Rangapa ye. 2 first bonds.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
[JOSHUA DRAPER.]
THO : WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRAS. HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

According to your order We have strictly examind What Witnesses are to be found And the arbitrators of the five bonds dependg. between Narrain & Bundee Rangapa wch. is as follows Vizt.

The Defendt. acknowledges the bond for one hundred Pagodas to be right Wherefore that requires no further proof.

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Cottapa one of the Wittnesses to the bond for twenty Pag^s^. affirms it to be a true bond to wch. he is ready to make Oath if requird, the other Wittnesses Ostagerry is said to be at Pegue.

Nallum Jaggu and Taggapa Mudlare Wittnesses to the bond for ten pagodas do affirm it to be a true bond to wch. they are ready to make Oath If requir'd.

But the Wittnesses to the bond for thirty Pag^s^. are either dead or absent This bond is signd Anah Subiah Whereas the other three are sign'd only Subiah Which difference we are inform'd is the name both of the Cast and Family to one, and to the other only the name of the Family We have nearly compar'd the signing of this bond wth. the sign^s^. [of] the rest and in our opinion the Characters do much differ in Form but this we only offer as an observation of our own not that we pretend to understand the Langua[ge] sev^ll^. of the Arbitrators do also allow that there is a difference in the Writing but they impute it to its being wrote wth. a Diff^t^. Pen.

The other bond for pag^s^. nine and three quarters is not to be found Whether it be conceald designedly or not by any of the partys Concern'd we know not but several of the Arbitrators Namely Ponnagette Narso, Arreapa and Surah Vinketash who acknowledge to have Seen it do allow it to be invalid and that it was not allow'd to be in Force by the rest of the Arbitrators.

Upon putting several Interrogatorys to the Arbitrators who gave in their award that the said bonds were signd by Subia son of Opolapo We find them very much disagree in their opinions and believe they made little or no inquiry into the Affair.

The persons who sign'd to the award were twelve who ans^r^. as follows Viz^t^.

Nairo Verapa, He being an Alderman & not Qualify'd for an Arbitrator no Question was put to him.

Moortee Venkety Chittee, Madogenaick and Vinketyputty say they were unacquainted wth. the aff^r^. and sign'd because the rest did and told them they were true bonds.

Ponnagette Narso, Arreapa & Surah Vinketah say that four of them are true bonds and that the bond for 35 Pag^s^. they believe to be wrote wth. a different Pen but the bond for $9\frac{3}{4}$ was invalid to this their Opinion they are ready to make oath if required.

Grua Rauz, Ramalingum, Atchana, Poncala Gurapa, Affirm that in their consciences they believe the bonds to be all true and Just and that they are willing to give their oaths to the award if requird.

Thus we had laid the whole examinat^n^. before Yo^r^. Hon^r^. &c^a^. and give it as our opinion that the two bonds One for Pagodas thirty five and one for pagodas Nine and three quarters wth. the Interest thereon ought not to be allow'd the rest we believe to be due but the determination we leave to Yo^r^. Hon^r^. &c^as^. better Judgment

FORT S^T^. GEORGE   & are wth. great Respect

NOVEMB^R^. 24TH. 1720.   HON^BLE^. S^R^.

Yo^r^. Most obedient Hum^ble^. Serv^ts^.

THO: COOKE.

JOSHUA DRAPER.

TO THE HON^BLE^. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R^.
PRESID^T^. & GOV^R^. &C^A^. COUNCILL OF FORT S^T^. GEORGE.

HON^BLE^. S^R^. &C^A^.

In obedience to your Hon^rs^. Commands I have examin'd the hedge that parts the Honble. Companys Garden from the Garden that belongs to the Portugueze

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Church & find by the Evidence of several Old Gardners that it belon[gs] to the Honble. Company who have had the benefit of the trees ever since Sr. Willm. Langhorns time the value of wch. is 10 pags. ℔ Annum.

All wch. I submit to your Honrs. better Judgemt. & am wth. all due respect

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 18TH. NOVR. 1720.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.
Yor. Most Obedt. Humble. Servt.
THOS. WAY.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

In obedience to your Honrs. Commands I have survey'd the hedge yt. parts the Honble. Company[s] Garden from that belonging to the Portugueze Church and find that since the new passage way has been made to their well that the aforesd. Hedge may more properly belong to their Garden. If Your Honr. shall think fit to grant it them on accot. of their keeping of it in repair as a fence to their Garden wch. I humbly leave to your Honrs. better Decission & am wth. due Respect

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

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Yor. Most Obedt. Humble. Servant.
THOS. WAY.

A CONTRACT made this 24th. day of Novr. 1720 between the Hon. the Presidt. & Council of Fort St. George for affairs of the Hon. United East India Company on the one part and Gongaram &ct. Joint Stock Merchants on the other Part.

Gongaram &ct. Joint Stock Merchants do hereby Covenant and agree to bring in and deliver one thousand nine hundred & ninety nine Bales & five sixth, Two thirds by the end of Sepr. Next and the remainder by the end of January 172½ for which the Hon. Presidt. & Council are to allow them the following prizes.

	Peices.	Bales.		Pags.	fa.	ca.		Pags.	fa.	ca.
LONG CLOTH ORDRY. ...	27000	900	at Pags.	31	18	—	℔ Co.	42525	—	—
DITTO MIDLING	4000	133⅓		38	—	—		7600	—	—
DITTO BLEW	3000	100		58	—	—		5700	—	—
DITTO FINE	3000	75		60	—	—		9000	—	—
SALLEMPORES ORDRY. ...	50200	627½		14	18	—		36395	—	—
DITTO MIDLING	4000	50		17	18	—		3500	—	—
DITTO FINE	5000	50		29	—	—		7250	—	—
BETTEELAS OF 40 COVIDS ...	1000	10		32	18	—		1625	—	—
DITTO OF 50 DO. ...	1000	12¼		41	9	—		2062	18	—
CHINT MOREES	400	4		40	—	—		800	—	—
MOREES FINE	2000	12½		33	—	—		3300	—	—
DITTO ORDRY.	3000	18¾		19	—	—		2850	—	—
ALLEJARRS	250	1¼		25	—	—		312	18	—
COLLAWAPOOZE	250	1¼		27	—	—		337	18	—
SACERGUNTEES	250	1¼		27	—	—		337	11	—
ROMALLS	250	1¼		20	—	—		250	—	—
DITTO DESTA	250	1¼		21	9	—		265	22	40
	Bales	1999⅚					Pags.	124110	22	40

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No money to be advanced till the goods are in y^{e}. Godowns and ready to be measured out to the Washers.

In case of non complyance by the Merchants an abatement of twenty ℘ Cent is to be made upon y^{e}. whole Contract unless good proof is made out of Impediments from the Country Government.

GONGARAM गंगाराम[....]
AMARASHATACKER अमारी[....]
TANJA CHITTY இடி. தஞ்சா செட்டி.
COLLASTRE CHITTE காளத்தி.

WITTNESS

THO. WRIGHT
Sec^{ry}.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

[DECEMBER] THURSDAY THE 1ST.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}. PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

President reads y^{e}. acco^{t}. of the Honble. Companys Cash for November.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^{t}. reads the acco^{t}. of the Honble. Companys Cash for last month ballance remaining Pagodas 10231 : — : 11. (Ca.)

Imp^{t}. Warehouse-keep^{r}. pays in pag^{s}. 25000.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeep^{r}. pays in pagodas 25000 and rep^{ts}. to have sold y^{e}. Silv^{r}. for 15⅛ for 10 pag^{s}.

Accomp^{t}. rep^{ts}. y^{e}. Metch. acco^{t}. to be right.

The Accomptant reports that the Metchlepatam acco^{t}. for October is right.

The shed upon y^{e}. Island to be pull'd down and y^{e}. materials apply'd to y^{e}. build^{g}. a Chenam house.

There being a shed upon the Island wch. the Paymaster represents to be much out of repair and of but little use to the Company in the condition it is He desires liberty to pull it down and to apply the Materials to the building the place for Chenam order'd in last Consultation wch. was AGREED to.

Uppolopo Narrain del^{rs}. in a petit^{n}. desir^{g}. the board to do him Justice agst. Rangapah.

Uppullupo Narran delivers in a Petition (as enter'd after this Consultation) desiring the board would do him Justice on Rangapa M^{r}. Tullies dubash who (as he represents) had unjustly seiz'd upon goods to the am^{t}. of 1088 Pag^{s}. during the time that he went to the Northward to enquire after the Effects of his son who was unfortunately kill'd as he was going to purchase Firewood and Offers to produce several Witnesses to make good his assertions. Rangapa being call'd in was ask'd by what power he had seiz'd upon those goods and whither Narrans son had made him his Attorney at his going away, he reply'd that he had no formal power but being old acquaintance and near Neighbours. Subiah desir'd him to take care of his Wife and Family but confess'd that he had no authority for acting as he did in relat^{n}. to the goods and delivers in an acco^{t}. sales wth. an acco^{t}. Curr^{t}. betwixt him and Subbiah, upon wch. he was dismiss'd and Narrain was order'd to bring his Wittnesses who averr as follows.

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Monea declares he was left in possession of the Banksalls wherein were the goods according to the List and when Rangapa came to seize on them he ask'd him by whose orders he seiz'd upon them, He said by his Masters upon wch. he went & told Narrains wife what had happen'd and left the Banksalls in Rangapahs Possession.

Monea's declarat^{n}.

Venkettyputte & Moorte depose that when Narrain was going to the Northward he carr^{d}. them to his sons wifes house and show'd them sev^{ll}. valuable things besides Jewells bonds &c^{a}. & told them that all those things he left wth. her.

Venketeputte and Moorte depositions.

Rangapah and Parriah depose that Narrain carried them to the Banksalls and told 'em that he was going out of town and that he had left them in the custody of Monea.

Rangapah & Parria depositions.

Agreed that we deferr this affair till another opportunity and in the mean while the Secretary is ordered to give Narrain a Copy of Rangapahs acco^{t}. and Rangapa a copy of the Charge exhibited against him.

that affair to be deferrd till another opport^{ty}.

M^{r}. Joshua Draper pursuant to order of Consultat^{n}. the 17th. ult^{o}. delivers in a remonst^{ce}. in relation to the affair depending between Major John Roach and the trustees of the Estate of Capt. Godwin dec^{d}. wch. being read is very maturely consider'd.

M^{r}. Joshua Draper delivers in a remonst^{e}. of y^{e}. dispute between Major Roach & y^{e}. trustees to Capt. Godwin dec^{d}.

It was agreed after some debate y^{t}. the Major should be permitted to take his Oath to the particulars mention'd in the 3^{d}. parrag^{h}. of M^{r}. Drapers remonstrance after Messrs. Benyon the Mayor and M^{r}. Turner as one of the Aldermen were withdrawn M^{r}. Emmerson only desented as being convinc'd as he says that the Major was fully satisfy'd wth. Capt. Godwin's conduct in leaving the goods in Mandetts hands. The Mayors Oath being accepted by all the Members of the board excepting M^{r}. Emmerson he was call'd in and swore accordingly & then dismiss'd.

The Major permitted to take his Oath.

M^{r}. Emmerson desent beleiv^{g}. y^{t}. Maj^{r}. Roach was fully satisfy'd.

Major Roach's Oath Accepted. &

It was then put to the vote whither the Majors Oath (as it had been accepted) should be esteem'd of sufficient vallidity to make Capt. Godwins Estate answerable for his demand thereon and it was carried in the affirmative M^{r}. Emmerson only dessenting for the reason beforemention'd.

then put to the vote wheth^{r}. [it] was of validity, carr^{d}. in y^{e}. affirmative.

Order'd therefore that Major John Roach be paid the sum of 220 pag^{s}. being the principal only of y^{e}. sum late in dispute by Capt. Godwins Trustees & that the Sec^{y}. do give him Copys of this our order & all the other paper relat^{g}. to this affair.

Ord^{d}. that Maj^{r}. Roach be paid the sum of 220 Pag^{s}.

The Accomptant acquaints the board that the books being already clos'd he can not rectify the mistake of the rupees as orderd in Consultation of the 17th. Ult^{o}. but that it shall be done in the next book.

Accompt^{t}. acq^{ts}. y^{e}. board he can't now rectify y^{e}. Mistake of the Rupees.

Sunca Rama &c^{a}. Merchants attending accord^{g}. to ord^{r}. in last Consultat^{n}., A List of goods to be provided was given 'em to wch. they consented and accordingly signd a Contract (as enterd after this Consultation) for 2000 bales two thirds of wch. to be brôt in Sepr. next and the rem^{dr}. by the latter end of January.

A List of Goods for a New Cont^{t}. del. to Sunca Rama the same agreed on.

The President thereupon took occasion to acquaint the board of an affair wch. he thought not prop^{r}. to make publick till the Contract wth. the R^{t}. Hand sett of Merchants was concluded The matter in brief is this.

The Presid^{t}. thereupon acq^{d}. the board of a Combinat^{n}. by the Merch^{ts}.

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That upon the absolute refusal of both the setts of Merchants to enter into an additional Contract w[th].out delay w[ch]. they declar'd in Council some days since He made a private examination into the matter in order to see if he could discover the reasons At Length he found that they had made an agreement between themselves to stand off and refuse to comply when we offer'd to Contract wth. them under pretence that they could not be able to undertake them since the French and Ostenders made such large demands and this was done in hopes to oblige us to advance the prizes The President adds that finding them guilty of such Clandestine management He did (thô with very great difficulty) perswade Gongram &c[a]. to enter into the Contract lately made wth. them wch. so confounded the other setts of Merchants that they then immediately came and sollicitted him to let them Contract forthwith. The President further adds that he did not think it proper to reject that proposal at this Critical Juncture for reasons obvious enough thô they very well deserv'd it and If he had not luckily circumvented their designs they would certainly have prevented the dispatch of our shipping the next season. The Board having heard this relation could not but highly commend the Presidents Conduct in that important affair.

Rentall Gen[ll]. and Scaving[r]. pays in pag[s]. 500.

Joshua Draper Rentall Generall & Scavinger pays into Cash Pag[s]. 500 for the following acco[ts].

Acco[t]. Quint Rent	369	20	—
Scavingers duty	130	16	—
	500	—	—

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICH[D]. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATH[LL]. TURNER.
RICH[D]. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

TO THE HON[BLE]. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ[R].
PRESID[T]. & GOV[R]. &C[A]. COUNCIL OF FORT S[T]. GEORGE.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF UPULLUPO NARRAIN

SHEWETH

That Bundle Rangapa sent my two sons Subia and Chinna Subia to the Northward without my knowledge and it appear[s]. they were both murther'd and buried in the way made my complaint to Govern[r]. Collet upon w[ch]. he gave me a Letter to the Phousdar of Nellore to inquire into that affair on receiv[g]. it I left all my sons effects in y[e]. hands of his wife (excepting two Banksalls in y[e]. hands of a hird servant of w[ch]. I took an acco[t]. and went down to the Northward myself During my absence Bundle Rangapa went to my Daughter and debauch'd her by which he has taken away the Credit of my Family and has likewise taken all my goods into his possession and disposd of a great part as also the two Banksalls and all that was therein by w[ch]. your Petition[r]. is like to be a Looser Therefore hopes your Hon[r]. &c[a]. will take his case into Consideration and he as in Duty bound

Shall Ever Pray &c[a].

A List of what I left in my house

	Pas.
30 Shawls at p[a]. 4 ea.	120
1 Silv[r]. bowl & Tumbal w[ch]. I can't give acco[t]. w[t]. y[e]. worth of 'em might be.	
1 Large Chest of Linen	d[o].
Severall bonds bills &c[a]. of w[ch]. I can't give any acco[t]. w[t]. the amo[t]. of 'em might be.	

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Jewells gold & Silver	50
10 Wiggs	50
12 pr. Stockings	12
30 ₩ Womans gloves	10
Banksall Accot. Vizt.	
The first contg. firewood 42500 at pa. 3 ₩ 1000	127
The 2d. Vizr.	
Palmeiras 1000 at pa. 8 ₩ %	80
do. Reepers 6000 @ 1–18 do.	90
Housepoles 7000 @ pa. 7 ₩ mil	49
Firewood 10000 bund. at 3 ₩ %	300
Country Timbers 150 @ 4½ ₩ ea.	18 : 27
Old plank 150	30
Ten Large Timbers @ pag. 1–18 ea.	15
Door Frames 20	5
Doors 15	7
Large poles 1000 @ 1 & 2 ₩ mil	20
Country Rippers 4000 @ pa. 15 ₩ %	60
Fifty small ps. of Teak Timbrs.	15
A Banksal wth. a small house wh. in it	15
Silver Buttons 15	2
Cotts 20	7
Gold Rings 3	6
Pags.	1088 : 27

Besides several other Jewells mentd. that he can give no accot. of.

A Contract made this 1st. day of Decr. between the Honble. the Presidt. & Council of Fort St. George for Affairs of the Honble. United East India Company on the one part & Suncah Ramah &ct. right hand Merchts. on the other part.

Suncah Ramah &cr. right hand Merchts. do hereby covenant and agree to bring in & deliver one thousand nine hundred and ninety nine Bales & five sixth, two thirds by the end of Sepr. and the remr. by the end of Janry. for which the Honble. Presidt. &ca. Council are to allow them the following prizes.

	Pieces	Bales.	Pags.	fa.	ca.	Pags.	fa.	ca.
Long Cloth Ordry. ...	26250	875 @	31	18	₩co	41343	27	—
Ditto Midling	4000	133⅓	38	—	—	7600	—	—
Ditto Blew	3000	100	38	—	—	5700	—	—
Ditto Fine	3000	75	60	—	—	9000	—	—
Sallempores Ordry. ...	30200	377½	14	18	—	21895	—	—
Ditto Worriapollam ...	20000	250	16	—	—	15000	—	—
Ditto Midling	4000	50	17	18	—	3500	—	—
Ditto Fine	5000	50	29	—	—	7250	—	—
Betteelas of 40 Covds. ...	1000	10	32	18	—	1625	—	—
Ditto of 50 Do.	1000	12¼	41	9	—	2062	18	—
Ditto Oringall	1500	15	60	—	—	4500	—	—
Ditto Fine	500	5						
Ditto Pulicat	500	5	100	—	—	2500	—	—
Chint Morees	400	4	40	—	—	800	—	—
Morees Fine	2000	12½	33	—	—	3300	—	—
Ditto Ordinary	3000	18¾	19	—	—	2850	—	—
Allejarrs	250	1¼	25	—	—	312	18	—
Collawapooze	250	1¼	27	—	—	337	18	—
Sacerguntees	250	1¼	27	—	—	337	18	—
Romalls ⅞ yds. broad ...	250	1¼	20	—	—	250	—	—
Ditto Desta	250	1¼	21	9	—	265	22	40
		Bales 1999⅚				Pags. [*lacuna*]		

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No money to be advanced till the Goods are in the Godowns and ready to be measured out to the Washers.

In Case of non complyance by the Merchants an abatement of twenty ℘ cent is to be made upon y^e^. whole contract unless good Proof is made out of Impediments from the Country Government.

WITTNESS
THO. WRIGHT.
Secry.

SUNCA RAMA } సుంకు రామన.
NAIRO BALL CHITTY } నాయర బాలి శెట్టి.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

In compliance wth. your order of last Consultation I have made a strict inquiry into the affair depending between Major John Roach and the trustees to the Estate of Capt. Freak Godwin decd. wch. I now lay before Your Honr. &ca. in the following remonstrance.

About the month of May in the year 1715 Major Roach deliver'd to Capt. Freak Godwin a parcel of Rubies and Emeralds to the amount of 220 pagodas consign'd to said Capt .Godwin and Mr. Elisha Ellil at Bencoolen wth. orders in case they could not be dispos'd of within the time that he the sd. Capt. Godwin should continue there they should be deposited in the hands of Mr. Collet then Depty. Govr. there to be sold by him and Mr. Elisha Ellil as opportunity should offer, But Contrary to those orders Capt. Godwin carry'd the said Rubies and Emeralds to Batavia and left them in the hands of Mr. Peter Mandet a Dutch Merchant of that place, but upon whose risque or for whose accot. the said Mandet was to dispose of those goods the note from under his hand doth not Express.

On the 27th. day of August 1716 Capt. Godwin arriv'd here from the West Coast and Batavia and being at the Majors one day he drew out of his pocket the aforesd. Peter Mandets rect. for the Rubies and Emeralds left in his hands the Major thereupon expostulated with him and ask'd him why he carry'd his goods with him to Batavia contrary to express order and left them in the hands of a person altogether unknown to him Capt. Godwin reply'd that he had intrusted Mr. Mandet wth. a very considerable value of his own and that he was a very responsible man Whereupon the Major told him that he had not so much as heard of his name before, and that he himself was the person from whom he expected his Goods Capt. Godwin at that time walkg. to and fro in the Majors Room immediately stop'd and takg. him by the hand promis'd him (as being an old acquaintance and unwilling to enter into disputes of Law or the Like) that as Govr. Collet would in a short time send him back to Batavia he would certainly bring the Goods or their amount in Sugar freight and Commission free, The Major being satisfy'd wth. that assurance took a Copy of the aforesaid Peter Mandet's note wth. a design only (to prove his Claim on Capt. Godwins Estate in case of an accident and to the truth of this relation The Major offers to take his Oath.

About the month of August 1716 Capt. Godwin went for Bengall (wth. an intent as he and every body else thought to enter upon his West Coast Voya.) and from there he wrote the Major a Letter wherein he made a repetition of the aforesd. promise (as the Major himself affirm[s] But that Letter is by accident mislaid or lost However Contrary to every ones expectation Capt. Godwins Voyage was alter'd and he was sent from thence to Surat as Commandr. of the Sampson and arrd. here the 12th. June 1717 he then went down to the Bay in ship Falconbridge & from thence proceeded to the West Coast the beginning of January $17\frac{17}{18}$ and that Capt. Godwin might not forget his promise the Major wrote him a Letter directed to him at the West Coast in order for to meet him there wch. Letter is dated Sepr. 27th. 1717 and this may serve to strengthen and Confirm the Major's assertion that such a promise was actually made him the very express words of that Promise being incerted in that Letter.

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On the 23d. January 1718/19 Capt. Godwin return'd hither from the West Coast but the Major was then absent having taken his passa. for Bengall on the Ship Harrison the 8th. October 1718 and thô the Copy of the said Peter Mandets note was left in his Wifes hands, she knew not how to make the demand as being ignorant of the particulars of that affair and Capt. Godwin had scarce time enuff after his arrival to settle any accot. havg. brôt ashoare wth. him a very dangerous distemper under wch. he Labour'd for about three weeks & then died.

Thus I've laid before Your Honr. &ca. the most particular accot. that I could learn concerng. this affair Hereby it appears that after Capt. Godwin had found himself Guilty of breach of orders in carryg. the Majors goods with him to Batavia and Leaving them there in the hands of a person altogether unkown to the Major without a warrant for so doing) made him that actual promise as before related by way of Compensation for the damage he was like to sustain by havg. employ'd his mony where there was little or no hopes of havg. any tollerable return, But it may be objected that the Majors Word (who is the plaintiff) is not to be taken in this case, But this is answerd by the Majors having declar'd his readiness to take his Oath to the truth of the particulars before Recited, And he do's presume to hope that in reason and Equity Your Honr. &ca. will not reject that offer It has been urg'd in behalf of the defendt. that when the Major found Capt. Godwin guilty of breach of orders he should have protested against him in due time and Form and that such an omission in point of Law was a plain indicatn. that the Major was well satisfy'd wth. what Capt. Godwin had acted in that affair and that he took the whole risque upon himself But that being only a Certain point of severity us'd amongst Merchants from one to another, As supposing all to be equally acquainted wth. Mercantile forms and Customs It is presum'd that the Major who is a Soldier by Profession (not a Merchant) may very well be excus'd for being Guilty of an Omission (so term'd) in a matter not at all suppos'd to be wth. in his province especially when he could not have done it in point of honour and Friendship.

With submission to your Honr. &cas. better Judgemt. it is thought the affair will turn upon these two points Whither the Majors Oath shall be accepted in relation to Capt. Godwins promise and Whether after his oath is accepted that promise shall be thought Obligatory enough to make Capt. Godwins Estate become accountable for his non Compliance therewth. But of these Yor. Honr. &ca. are the properest Judges and therefore I forbear to offer my opinion therein submitting the Whole to your determinatn. and remaing. wth. all possible Respect.

Fort St. George — Honble. Sr. &ca.

Decr. the 1st. 1720. — Yor. Most Obedient Humble Servant

Joshua Draper.

Dispatched a letter to Metchlepatam. 3d.

Cornelia Galley Capt. John West from Bengall. 5th.

Ship Francis Capt. Samuel Greenslate from Vizagapatam. 6th.

Brigantine Nabee Madutt Shake Assimutt Noquedah frō. Bengll. 7th.

Ship London Capt. Charles Wybregg from ditto. 8th.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 8TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.
RICHARD HORDEN. THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE. NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON. JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER. THOMAS WRIGHT.

Land Custmrs. acct. for Novr. Read.

Richard Benyon Land Customr. reads that accot. for last month ballance due from him Pags. 207 : 27 : 78.

Genll. lettr. from Vizagã. read.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam ℔ Ship Francis dated the 1st. inst. read to inclose Invoice and bill of loading for 310 bales sent upon her and to acquaint us that the master had refus'd the accustomary freight they being bales of a larger size than usual wherefore they had left the affairs to our determination.

Ownrs. of ship Francis & Munchu allow'd 2½ pags. for ea. bale.

AGREED that we allow the owners of ships Francis & Munchu pags. two and a half for each bale and that we advise the Chief and Council of it in our next.

Journall parcells for Octr. Read.

The Accomptant reads the Journall parcells for October.

Generall lettr. from ye. Cheif & Council of Anjengo.

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 13th. Novr. read inclosg. copys of two Letters from Mr. Addams at Callicut and Mr. Taylor at Carwar relatg. to the Pyrates dispersing our Fleet of Geeria and of a ship Nam'd the Elizabeth being taken out of Ounore Road.

Arrack ffarmer pays in pags. 333 : 12.

Lewis Melicque Arrack Farmer pays in Pags. 333 : 12 for last months rent of that Farm.

Nairo Verapa Chittee & Moodu Moodalaire &ca. petn. for redress of abuse put upon 'em by the left hand Cast.

Nairo Verapa Chittee & Moodu Moodulaire &ca. heads of the Right hand Casts present a petition in behalf of themselves and the whole cast (as enterd after this Consultation) setting forth that they had lately receiv'd a very great affront from the Left hand Cast who had Contrary to custom carried an Image wth. the usual sollemnity thrô their streets That it was infringg. upon their priviledges granted them when their pagoda was first built and that they had violated the establish'd rules made since for all wch. they desire the Justice of the board.

The heads of the left hand Cast sent for & denyd wt. they were charg'd wth. upon wch. & want of wittnesses the mattr. is deferr'd.

The heads of the Left hand Cast being sixteen in number were call'd in and ask'd what they had to say in answer to the charge given in against them who reply'd that they were straingers to the whole affair and that whomsoevr. could be detected of such unwarrantable proceedings ought justly to suffer the Punishmt. wch. the board should think fit to inflict But Nairo Verapa &ca offering to prove what they had asserted & still insisting upon some satisfaction to be made them for so publick an affront, AGREED that we deferr this affair till they can get their Wittnesses ready and till the Cheif Dubash and our principal black servants can make the needfull enquirys & rept. the same to the board.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
[TH : WRIGHT].

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To the Honble. Fras. Hastings Esqr.
Presidt. & Governr. &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

The Petition of Nairo Verapa Chitty Moodu Moodularee &ca. heads of the Rt. Hand Casts Humbly Sheweth

Your Honours petitionr. in behalf of themselves &ca. Cast do humbly appeal for redress of an affront receiv'd last Saturday night from ye. left hand Cast by carryg. an Image thrô our streets wth. all ceremonial pomp contrary to Sallibad and ye. Customs & Rights of our People moreover the statutes and Cowles made when first the Pagoda call'd Permal and Eshuara Guddes were built when at same time was agreed on that whomsoever of either casts should any ways molest or break those Laws yt. Cast was to be fin'd at the discretion of the Honble. President & Councill of this place Wherefore knowing Your Honr. to be well acquainted wth. the ill Consequences yt. have often arose by such seditious ways of dealing and Your Petitionr. being always well wishers of Peace and the establishment of Rt. Honble. Companys affairs most humbly presume to beseech Your Honr. to correct this Insolence & Your Petitioners shall as in duty bound ever pray &ca.

Ship Mary Capt. Holden from Bengall. 10th.

Brigantine Lusitania Capt. Jno. Underwood from Pegu. 12th.

At a Consultation Monday 12th.

Present

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presidt. & Govr.

Richard Horden.	Thomas Cooke.
Randall Fowke.	Nathll. Turner.
Richard Benyon.	John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.	Thomas Wright.

Messrs. Elwick, Horden and Tullie representing that Ensign John Caudul at Fort St. David is a proper person to answr. to sevll. of the Interrogatorys sent from England relating to the affair between Mr. Josia Chitty and the Company and desiring that he might attend them accordingly, Messrs. Elwick, Horden & Tullie represent yt. Ensign Caudull must be sent for from F.St.D.

Order'd that the Secretary do write to the Depty. Govr. and Council of Fort St. David to send up the said Ensign Caudul wth. all Convenient speed. The Secry. ordd. to write to ye. D.G. of F.S.D. to send up E. Caudull.

The Paymaster representing the want of an head Bricklayer and that Mr. Way Surveyor recommends one Periana as a person the best Qualify'd for that business, An head Bricklayer being wantg. one Periana chosen at ½ a pago. ℘ mens. advа.

Order'd that the said Periana be Constituted Head Bricklayer and that he be allow'd 3 pags. ℘ mēn. wch. is only half a pago. advance upon his prest. pay.

Generall Letter from the Presidt. and Council of Bengall ℘ ship Mary read Dated the 23d. Novr. and anothr. from Mr. Greenhil at Pipley dated the 29th. The former of which inclos'd Invoice and bill of loadg. for Wares and Stores put aboard her. Bengall a Generall lettr. from read.

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Rangapa del^rs. in a Compt. of Uppolopoo Narrain.

Rangapa delivers in an ans^r. to the Complaint of Uppolopo Narrain who likewise gives in anoth^r. petition relat^g. to the pap^rs. and acco^ts. deliv^d. in by Rangapa both wch. being read the considerat^n. thereof is deferr'd till another opportunity.

The P. acq^ts. y^e. board that Aga Mokeem had rec^d. a New title whereupon 'tis ag^d. that 5 y^ds. of Clo. be presented him.

The President acquaints the board that Aga Mokeem has lately receiv'd a new title from the Nabob by the name of Hussan Cawne and that he thinks it will be proper to make him a small Present on that occasion.

Agreed that we present him wth. 5 yards of scarlet Cloth and a few bottles of rose water in considerat^n. of his having assisted us wth. boats lately and in hopes of maintaining a friendly correspondence wth. him for the future.

Fra: Hastings.
Rich^d. Horden.
Tho: Cooke.
Rand: ffowke.
Nath^ll. Turner.
Rich^d. Benyon.
John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper.
Tho: Wright.

13. Dispatchd a letter from the Sec^ry. to the Dep^ty. Govr. & Council of F^t. S^t. David.

— Rec'd. one from ditto.

At a Consultation

Present

Thursday 22^d.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Presid^t. & Govr.

Richard Horden. Thomas Cooke.
Randa^ll. fowke. Nathaniel Turner.
Rich^d. Benyon. John Emmerson.
Joshua Draper. Thomas Wright.

Mint acco^t. Read.

Francis Hastings Esqr. Mint Master reads that acco^t. for last month ballance due from him Pagodas 38: 35: 40 wch. he pays in.

Rentall Gen^ll. & Scaving^r. pays in pag^s. 350.

Joshua Draper Rentall Generall and Scavinger pays in pag^s. 350 on the following acco^ts.

Acco^t. Quit Rent	238	27	—
Acco^t. Scavingers duty	111	9	—
Pag^s.	350	—	—

Storek^rs. acco^t. for Novr. Read.

John Emmerson Storekeep^r. reads that acco^t. for last month ballance due from him Pag^s. 999: 30. fa

Gen^ll. lett^r. from Metch. read.

Generall Letter from M^r. Humphrey Holcomb at Metchlepatam dated the 3^d. inst^t. read to inclose his acco^t. of expences for the month of November.

Fort S^t. David Gen^ll. lett^r. from read.

Generall Letter from the Dep^ty. Govern^r. & Council of Fort S^t. David dated the 10th. inst^t. read to accomp^a. their Cash & Merchants acco^ts. for last month.

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Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeep[r]. reports that all the Vizagapat[m]. Cloth received by ships Francis and Muncha is upon examination found to be extraord[ry]. good and particularly the Sallampores of w[ch]. he produces sev[ll]. peices for the Gov[r]. and Councills perusal. Imp[t]. Wareh.k[r]. rep[ts]. the Viz[a]. Cloth to be good.

Nathaniel Turner Paymaster reads that Account for last month Viz[t]. Paymast[rs]. acco[t]. for Nov[r]. Read.

	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Charges Garrison	1981	15	10
Charges Generall	819	10	60
New Warehouse	96	23	70
Charges Cattle	157	14	50
Horse Furniture	63	18	—
Charges Extraord[ry].	143	3	47
Bombay Presidency	41	2	60
Repairs of Fortifications	312	6	60
Diet and stores laid in	489	1	60
Charges Diet	404	15	—
Dieu Island	10	—	—
Pag[s]. ...	4523	3	68

Ballance due to him Pagodas one thousand and five hund[d]. and twenty three, three fanams and sixty eight Cash w[ch]. is ORDER'D to be paid. ball[a]. ord[d]. to be paid.

Upon examining the extraordinary expences of last month we find them to arise from the following particulars. Extrao[ry]. expence examin'd into.

CHARGES GENERALL Viz[t].

47 peons carry[g]. treas. to Fort S[t]. David ...	9	19	—			
4 peons to Colombo to advice of ship[g]. of the pyrates	18	—	—			
Scavingers duty for y[e]. Fort	24	—	—			
				51	19	—
NEW WAREHOUSE				96	23	70
CHARGES EXTRAORD[RY]. for diet to prisoners water to the Out Guards a bonefire on the 5th. Nov[r]. and the Warehousek[rs]. note to the stew[d]. for 3 Chests of pickles and a Cask of Vinegar half of w[ch]. was spoild & unfit for use				129	24	4[1]
BOMBAY PRESIDENCY for pay to the Lieut[t]. and 15 Soldiers that were landed here on the William who lost her pass[a]. to Persia.				41	26	[...]
DIEU ISLAND				10	—	—
Pag[s]. ...				392	16	[...]

Poncala Kistna Tobacco and beetle farmer pays in pag[s]. 583 : 12 : for last month's rent of that farm. Tobacco ffarmers pays in 583 : 12 fa.

Poncala Kistna Measuring ffarmer pays in pag[s]. 136 : 24 : for two months rent of that Farm. D[o]. meas. ffarm. pays in pag[s]. 136 : 24.

ORDER'D that one thousand six hundred Pagodas be advanced the Warehouse-keep[r]. to pay the Dyers and Painters. Exp[t]. Warehousek[r]. adv[d]. 1600 pag[s].

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Mr. Hill Petns. for leave to go home upon wch. he is ordd. to acqt. us how he left the factry. at Mocha.

Mr. John Hill late Chief for the Honble. Companys affrs. at Mocha delrs. in a petition desirg. permission to take his passa. on ship Mary to Great Brittain, The President then took occasion to acqt. the board that he thought 't our Duty to ask Mr. Hill in what manr. he left the Compas. affairs and whither he had no certificate to show for his clearance from sd. Factory before we granted his request. Whereupon Mr. Hill was call'd in and the aforesd. questions put to him who promis'd to delivr. in his answr. in writing by next Consultation.

FRA : HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO : COOKE.
RAND : FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO : WRIGHT.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY 29TH.

FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR. PRESIDT. & GOVR.

RICHARD HORDEN.	THOMAS COOKE.
RANDALL FOWKE.	NATHANIEL TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.	JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.	THOMAS WRIGHT.

Export Warehousekrs. acoot. for Novembr. [read].

Thomas Cooke Export Warehousekeeper reads that account for last month ballance due from him Pags. 833 : 29 : 46. wch. he pays in.

Impt. Warehousekrs. acoot. for Novr. read.

Thomas Cooke Import Warehousekeepr. reads that account for last month ballance due from him Pagodas 9962 : 17 : 40 wch. he pays in.

Sea Customrs. acoot. for Novr. read.

Randall Fowke Sea Customer reads that accot. for last month Vizt.

[*Lacuna*]

ballance due from him Pagodas 2522 : 10 : 74 of wch. he pays in one thousand.

Fort St. David Merchts. acoot. repted. to be right.

The Accomptant reports that the Fort St. David Merchants accots. are upon examination found to be right.

Pags. 3643 : 10 . 75. pd. in for bills of Exchn.

Randall Fowke pays in pags. 3643 : 10 : 75 for wch. three bills of Exchange are signd on the Honble. Court of Directors of this days date payable to John Freeman Esqr. of Fawley Court at nine shillings ℘ Pagoda.

Genll. lettr. from Fort St. David dated 19th. Decr. [read].

General Letter from the Depty. Governr. and Council of Fort St. David dated the 19th. Decr. read to accompany their Generall books their list of the Honble. Compas. Covenanted servants List of births, Marriages & Burials and List of debts standing out.

Genll. Lettr. from Anjengo dated 22d Novr. [read].

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Anjengo dated the 22d. Novr. read to enclose a copy of letter to them from Tellicherry advising them of six pyrates off Sacrifice Rock.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1720—

Mr. Hill according to promise in last Consultation delivers in a paper relating to his laying down the Companys service and leaving their Factory at Mocha wth. the reasons yt. Induc'd him thereto wch. being read the Presidt. desir'd the opinion of every one whether the said paper did not contain expressions very disrespectfull both to the Govr. and to the whole board wch. being debated It is AGREED we deferr the Consideration of Mr. Hills Petition till next Consultation. Mr. Hill delrs. in a papr. wch. is reckd. disrespectfull.

FRA: HASTINGS.
RICHD. HORDEN.
THO: COOKE.
RAND: FFOWKE.
NATHLL. TURNER.
RICHD. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
JOSHUA DRAPER.
THO: WRIGHT.

TO THE HONBLE. FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT ST. GEORGE &CA. COUNCIL.

According to your pleasures signified to me in Council to acquaint you in writing wth. my reasons for leaving the Companys Settlement in Mocha and coming here I shall here do it as concisely as possible and wth. a strict regard to truth, thô by the Way Gentlemen it seemes a little strainge that I should be oblig'd to Justify myself in a place yt. has no relatn. to that from whence I came & wth.out any thing being alledg'd against me.

On the 23d. of Aprill last arriv'd the Victoria Grabb at Mocha from Bombay having on board Mr. Cromelin to whom I had orders to deliver up the Charge of the Honble. Companys Factory Mr. Cromelin had also orders to treat me wth. respect and give me all the assistance in my affairs he was capable of either in return to Bombay or any other part I had a mind to transport myself.

After having sign'd the Books paid the Ballance and taken an Inventory of the Stores wch. was mutually sign'd by us both Upon ye. delivering up my charge to Mr. Cromelin I told him that having neither occasion or inclinatn. to serve ye. Company any Longer I had determin'd to lay it down & return to England wch. he & the rest of the Compns. servants having agreed to they paid me my sallary to that time, and I left the Factory.

As to my coming here it was partly my Interest and partly Curiosity to see the place but had I had the least thought I should have met wth. the treatment I have done I would gladly have relinquish'd any advantage how great so ever and suspended my Curiosity till a more Favourable Occasion.

This is what I have thought fit to offer to your Honr. &ca. that I may have a determinate Answer to the Petition before deliver'd you that as the time of the ships departure draws nigh I may regulate my affairs accordingly I am wth. respect

FORT ST. GEORGE
DECR. 24TH. 1720.

HONBLE. SR. & SRS.
Yor. Very Humble. servant
JOHN HILL.

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Persons	the time of their Arrivl.	Stations at their arrival.	Salary at their arrival.	Present Standg.	Employments.	Present Salary.
Francis Hastings Esqr.	16th. July 1701 ...	Factor ...	per annum. 15 £	Presidt.	Governour	200 & 100 £ Gratuity per annum
Richd. Horden	28th. March 1702 ...	Writer ...	5	2d. of Council ..	Accomptant	100 per annum.
Thomas Cooke	9th. Sepr. 1702 ...	ditto	5	3d. of Council ...	Expt. & Impt. Warehous-keepr.	70
Rand. Fowke	11th. July 1711 ...	Factor entertain'd. ...	15	4th. of ditto ...	Sea Customer	50
Nath. Turner	18th. Janry. 1708/9 ...	Writer ...	5	5th. of ditto ...	Paymaster	40
Richd. Benyon	6th. July 1710 ...	ditto	5	6th. of ditto ...	Land Customer	40
John Emmerson ...	17th Sepr. 1709 ...	ditto	5	7th. of ditto ..	Storekeeper	40
Josha. Draper	23d. July 1715 ...	Writer for three years. ...	5	8th. of ditto ...	Rentll. Genl. & Scavinger ...	40
Thomas Wright ...	24 July 1712 ...	Writer ...	5	9th. of ditto ...	Receiver & Secry.	40 and 10 Ls. Gratuity as Secry.
Thomas Faucet ...	......	...	...	Senior Merchant ...	......	40
Edwd. Croke	18th. Janry. 1708/9 ...	Writer ...	5	ditto	Writer at the Sea Gate ...	40
Augustus Burton ...	14th Sepr. 1709 ...	ditto	5	ditto	Under the Accomptant ...	40
Thomas Wilford ...	17th. ditto	ditto	5	ditto	Under the Expt. Warehouskr.	40
George Tullie error 2	24th. July 1712 ...	ditto	5	Junior Merchˢ. ...	Registr. of the Mayors Court	30
James Hubbard 1	24th. July 1712 ...	ditto	5	ditto	Search: at the Sea Gate & Sub Accot.	30
Stephen Newcombe ...	30th. Sepr. 1715 ...	Factor for the West Coast.	...	ditto	Under the Impt. Warehouskr.	30
John Clark	30th. Sepr. 1716 ...	ditto	...	Factor	Under the Accomptant ...	15
George Beel	24th. Sepr. 1718 ...	ditto	...	ditto	Under the Secry.	15
John Acton	29th. November 1718.	ditto	...	ditto	Under the Accomptant ...	15
John Lauder	30th. July 1716 ...	Writer	5	Writer	Under ditto	5
Sands Davis	14th. Augst. 1716 ...	ditto	5	ditto	Under the Land Customer.	5
Thos. Pennyman ...	14th. ditto	ditto	5	ditto	Under the President ...	5
John Fulligar	14th. Augst. 1716 ...	ditto	5	ditto	Under the Paymaster ...	5

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ANNO 1720. [*India Office Transcript*].

Persons.	the time of their Arriv^{l}.	Stations at their arrival.	Salary at their arrival.	Present Stand^{g}.	Employments.	Present Salary.
Thos. Dunster ...	14 Augst. 1716	Writer ...	per £ 5 annum	Writer ...	Und^{r}. Search^{r} at the Sea Gate ...	5
Charles Fleetwood	28th. May 1717	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Accomptant ...	5
Paul Foxley ...	5th. July 1717	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Under the Storekeep^{r}. ...	5
John Russon ...	5th. Augst. 1717	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Steward ...	5
Josh^{a}. Bayes ...	5th. ditto ...	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Exp^{t}. Ware-houskeep^{r} ...	5
Mathew Empson	25th. June 1718	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Sec^{ry}. ...	5
Abraham Wessel	25th. ditto ...	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Accomptant ...	5
Nicholas Morse	25th. ditto ...	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Sec^{ry}. ...	5
Rich^{d}. English	25th. ditto ...	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Essay Master ...	5
Rich^{d}. Carter ..	22^{d}. July 1719	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Land Custom^{r}. ...	5
Charles Peers ...	4th. July 1720	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Under the Sec^{ry}. ...	5
Robt. Wooley ...	12th. Augst. 1720	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. y^{r}. Rent^{ll}. Gen^{ll}. & Scaving^{r} ...	5
Thos. Blackall ...	12th. ditto ...	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{y}. the Sec^{ry}. ...	5
Thos. Fenwick ...	12th. ditto ...	ditto ...	5	ditto ...	Und^{r}. the Accomptant ...	5
Thos. Wendey ...	10th. Jan^{ry}. 1719/20	Minister ...	100	......	......	100
Catesby Oadham	23rd. July 1715	Factor & Essay Mast^{r} ...	80	Junior Merch^{t}. ..	Essay Master ...	80
Duncan Munro	24th. May 1720	Surgeon ...	36	......	......	36
Andrew Pitcheir	28th. Augst. 1716	ditto...	36	......	......	36

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[*India Office Transcript.*]

Persons.	time of their arrival.	Stations.	Salary.	Pres^{t}. Stand^{g}.	Employments.	Present Salary.
William Jennings Esqr.	17th. Sepr. 1709	of Council	£ 140	Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}.	......	£ 100
John Berlie	22^{d}. July 1687	Writer	5	2^{d}. of Council	Accomp^{t}. & Warehouskeep^{r}.	50
Robt. Berriman	16 March 1714	Factor enter-tain'd	15	3^{d}. of ditto	Paymaster	30
Simon Holcombe	18th. Sepr. 1709	Writer	5	4 of ditto	Sea Custom^{r}. of Cuddalore.	40
Robt. Brooke	20th. April 1711	ditto	5	5 of ditto	Land Custom^{r}. of ditto	30
Jno. Sanderson	24^{sh}. July 1712	ditto	5	6 of ditto	Storekeep^{r}.	30
Peter Tahourdin	24th. ditto 1712	ditto	5	7 of ditto	Sea & Land Custom^{r}. of Tevenap^{m}.	30
Charles Dobyns	5th. Augst. 1717	ditto	5	Writer	Under the Warehouskeep^{r}.	5
Rich^{d}. Guilman	5th. ditto	ditto	5	ditto	Steward	5
Ralph Mansel	18th. June 1718	ditto	5	ditto	Under the Paym^{r}.	5
Jno. Graham	25 ditto	ditto	5	ditto	Sec^{ry}.	5
William Martin	25 ditto	ditto	5	ditto	Under the Storekeep^{r}.	5
Mathew Wyche	5th. Augst. 1717	Surgeon	36	Surgeon	Surgeon	36
			VIZAGAPATAM.			
Robt. Symonds	......	Factor enter-tain'd	15	Cheif and Factor	Accomp^{t}. and Warehous-keep^{r}.	15
John Blunt	25th. May 1717	Writer	5	3^{d}. of Council	Paym^{r}. & Storek^{r}. & Sec^{ry}.	5
Charles Simpson	5th. July 1717	ditto	5	Writer	Assistant to ditto.	5
			MOCO MOCO.			
Isaac Pyke	......	2^{d}. of Council order'd.	100	Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}.	......	200 & 100 Gratuity.
Joseph Walsh	......	Factor	30	2^{d}. of Council	......	30
Jno. Cautier	......	of Council	50	3^{d}. of ditto	......	50
Lewis Dane	......	Factor	30	4th. of ditto	......	30
Peter Shelley	......	ditto	30	5th. of ditto	......	30
Charles Haselwood	......	ditto	30	6th. of ditto	......	30
Phillip Heigh^{m}. Weake.	......	ditto	30	Factor	......	30
Jno. Bembow	......	ditto	30	ditto	......	30
Claude Allen Jaminan	......	ditto	30	ditto	......	30
Edwin Norris	......	ditto	30	ditto	......	30
Jno. Shewen	......	Writer	20	Writer	......	20
Geo. Lassels	......	ditto	20	ditto	......	20
Arthur Crundall	......	ditto	20	ditto	......	20

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Young Women Unmarried.	Widows.	List of Persons not constant Inhabitants.		Const. Inhabitants.	List of Comps. Servts. that have dy'd wth. in the Year 1720.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Elizth. Empson	Peter Curgenvan	Geo. Heron	Geo. Toriano	Jno. Turton of Council
Sarah Somerville	Mary du Bois	Edmund Bugden	Jams. Berriman	Willm. Mitchell	the 25th. of April 1720.
Ann Somerville	Margt. Heathfeild	Jno. Powney	Saml. Greenslate	Henry Crawford	Henry Davy Writer
Mary du Bang	Penelope Mead	Jno. Hemage	Thos. Harris	Charles Benyon	the 3d. May 1720.
	Ann Ingram	Rawson Hart	Jno. Scattergood	William Montgomery.	Charles Davers Writer the 26th. Sepr. 1720.
	Ann Hunt				
	Ruth Harrison	Timothy Tullie	Edwd. Orril Junr.	James Navill	William Harris Senr.
	Elizth. Atkenson	Lewis Madera	Nathll. Ross	Charles Wybergh	Mercht. at Vizagapat.
	Sarah Somerville	William Moulton	Jno. Harry	Jonathn. Wilkinson	the 29th. Sepr. 1720.
	Mary Leidman	Zechariah Gee	Paul Larwood	Wm. How	
	Sarah Pontinell	Samll. Morland	Jno. Irving	Wm. Guillim	
	Gratia Griffith	Robt. Fleetwood	Jno. Manbert	Samll. Court	
	Elizth. Greenhaugh	Geo. Biggins	Jno. Starke	William Shotbolt	
	Diana Robson	Willm. Middleton	Jno. Mackmath	Julius Gollop	
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